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PSALM 1.

1 THAT man hath perfect blessedness
who walketh not astray'
In counsel of ungodly men,
nor stands in sinners' way,
Nor sitteth in the scorner's chair:
2 But placeth his delight
Upon God's law, and meditates
on his law day and night.

3 He shall be like a tree that grows
near planted by a river,
Which in his season yields his fruit,
and his leaf fadeth never:
And all he doth shall prosper well.
4 The wicked are not so;
But like they are unto the chaff,
which wind drives to and fro.

5 In judgment therefore shall not stand
such as ungodly are;
Nor in th' assembly of the just
shall wicked men appear.
6 For why? the way of godly men
unto the Lord is known:
Whereas the way of wicked men
shall quite be overthrown.

PSALM 2.

1 WHY rage the heathen? and vain
why do the people mind? [things
2 Kings of the earth do set themselves,
and princes are combin'd,
To plot against the Lord, and his
Anointed, saying thus,
3 Let us asunder break their bands,
and cast their cords from us.

4 He that in heaven sits shall laugh;
the Lord shall scorn them all.
5 Then shall he speak to them in wrath,
in rage he vex them shall.
6 Yet, notwithstanding, I have him
to be my King appointed;
And over Sion, my holy hill,
I have him King anointed.

7 The sure decree I will declare;
the Lord hath said to me,
Thou art mine only Son; this day
I have begotten thee.
8 Ask of me, and for heritage
the heathen I'll make thine;
And, for possession, I to thee
will give earth's utmost line.

9 Thou shalt, as with a weighty rod
of iron, break them all;
And, as a potter's sherd, thou shalt
them dash in pieces small.
10 Now therefore, kings, be wise; be
ye judges of the earth: [taught,
11 Serve God in fear, and see that ye
join trembling with your mirth.

12 Kiss ye the Son, lest in his ire
ye perish from the way,
If once his wrath begin to burn:
bless'd all that on him stay.

PSALM 3.

1 O LORD, how are my foes increas'd?
against me many rise.
2 Many say of my soul, For him
in God no succour lies.
3 Yet thou my shield and glory art,
th' uplifter of mine head.
4 I cry'd, and, from his holy hill,
the Lord me answer made.

5 I laid me down and slept, I wak'd;
for God sustained me.
6 I will not fear though thousands ten
set round against me be.
7 Arise, O Lord; save me, my God;
for thou my foes hast stroke
All on the cheek-bone, and the teeth
of wicked men hast broke.

8 Salvation doth appertain
unto the Lord alone:
Thy blessing, Lord, for evermore
thy people is upon.

PSALM 4.

1 GIVE ear unto me when I call,
God of my righteousness:
Have mercy, hear my pray'r; thou hast
enlarg'd me in distress.
2 O ye the sons of men! how long
will ye love vanities?
How long my glory turn to shame,
and will ye follow lies?

3 But know, that for himself the Lord
the godly man doth chuse:
The Lord, when I on him do call,
to hear will not refuse.
4 Fear, and sin not; talk with your heart
on bed, and silent be.
5 Off'rings present of righteousness,
and in the Lord trust ye.

6 O who will shew us any good?
is that which many say:
But of thy countenance the light,
Lord, lift on us alway.
7 Upon my heart, bestow'd by thee,
more gladness I have found
Than they, ev'n then, when corn and wine
did most with them abound.

8 I will both lay me down in peace,
and quiet sleep will take;
Because thou only me to dwell
in safety, Lord, dost make.

PSALM 5.

1 GIVE ear unto my words, O Lord,
my meditation weigh.
2 Hear my loud cry, my King, my God;
for I to thee will pray.
3 Lord, thou shalt early hear my voice:
I early will direct
My pray'r to thee; and, looking up,
an answer will expect.

4 For thou art not a God that doth
in wickedness delight;
Neither shall evil dwell with thee,
5 Nor fools stand in thy sight.
All that ill-doers are thou hat'st;
6 Cutt'st off that liars be:
The bloody and deceitful man
abhorred is by thee.

7 But I into thy house will come
in thine abundant grace;
And I will worship in thy fear
toward thy holy place.
8 Because of those mine enemies,
Lord, in thy righteousness
Do thou me lead; do thou thy way
make straight before my face.

9 For in their mouth there is no truth,
their inward part is ill;
Their throat's an open sepulchre,
their tongue doth flatter still.
10 O God, destroy them; let them be
by their own counsel quell'd:
Them for their many sins cast out,
for they 'gainst thee rebell'd.

11 But let all joy that trust in thee,
and still make shouting noise;
For them thou sav'st: let all that love
thy name in thee rejoice.
12 For, Lord, unto the righteous man
thou wilt thy blessing yield:
With favour thou wilt compass him
about, as with a shield.

PSALM 6.

1 LORD, in thy wrath rebuke me not;
Nor in thy hot rage chasten me.
2 Lord, pity me, for I am weak:
Heal me, for my bones vexed be.

3 My soul is also vexed sore;
But, Lord, how long stay wilt thou
make?
4 Return, O Lord, my soul set free;
O save me, for thy mercies' sake.

5 Because those that deceased are
Of thee shall no remembrance have;
And who is he that will to thee
Give praises lying in the grave?
6 I with my groaning weary am,
I also all the night my bed
Have caused for to swim; and I
With tears my couch have watered.

7 Mine eye, consum'd with grief, grows old,
Because of all mine enemies.
8 Hence from me, wicked workers all;
For God hath heard my weeping cries.
9 God hath my supplication heard,
My pray'r received graciously.
10 Sham'd and sore vex'd be all my foes,
Sham'd and back turned suddenly.

Another of the same.

1 IN thy great indignation,
O Lord, rebuke me not:
Nor on me lay thy chast'ning hand,
in thy displeasure hot.
2 Lord, I am weak, therefore on me
have mercy, and me spare:
Heal me, O Lord, because thou know'st
my bones much vexed are.

3 My soul is vexed sore: but, Lord,
how long stay wilt thou make?
4 Return, Lord, free my soul; and save
me, for thy mercies' sake.
5 Because of thee in death there shall
no more remembrance be:
Of those that in the grave do lie,
who shall give thanks to thee?

6 I with my groaning weary am,
and all the night my bed
I caused for to swim; with tears
my couch I watered.
7 By reason of my vexing grief
mine eye consumed is;
It waxeth old, because of all
that be mine enemies.

8 But now, depart from me all ye
that work iniquity:
For why? the Lord hath heard my voice,
when I did mourn and cry.
9 Unto my supplication
the Lord did hearing give:
When I to him my prayer make,
the Lord will it receive.

10 Let all be sham'd and troubled sore,
that en'mies are to me;
Let them turn back, and suddenly
ashamed let them be.

PSALM 7.

1 O LORD my God, in thee do I
my confidence repose:
Save and deliver me from all
my persecuting foes;
2 Lest that the enemy my soul
should, like a lion, tear,
In pieces rending it, while there
is no deliverer.
3 O Lord my God, if it be so
that I committed this;
If it be so that in my hands
iniquity there is:
4 If I rewarded ill to him
that was at peace with me;
(Yea, ev'n the man that without cause
my foe was I did free;)
5 Then let the foe pursue and take
my soul, and my life thrust
Down to the earth, and let him lay
mine honour in the dust.
6 Rise in thy wrath, Lord, raise thyself,
for my foes raging be;
And, to the judgment which thou hast
commanded, wake for me.
7 So shall th' assembly of thy folk
about encompass thee:
Thou, therefore, for their sakes, return
unto thy place on high.
8 The Lord he shall the people judge:
my judge, JEHOVAH, be,
After my righteousness, and mine
integrity in me.
9 O let the wicked's malice end;
but stablish stedfastly
The righteous: for the righteous God
the hearts and reins doth try.
10 In God, who saves th' upright in heart,
is my defence and stay.
11 God just men judgeth, God is wroth
with ill men ev'ry day.
12 If he do not return again,
then he his sword will whet;
His bow he hath already bent,
and hath it ready set:
13 He also hath for him prepar'd
the instruments of death;
Against the persecutors he
his shafts ordained hath.
14 Behold, he with iniquity
doth travail, as in birth;
A mischief he conceived hath,
and falsehood shall bring forth.
15 He made a pit, and digg'd it deep,
another there to take;
But he is fall'n into the ditch
which he himself did make.
16 Upon his own head his mischief
shall be returned home;
His vi'lent dealing also down
on his own pate shall come.
17 According to his righteousness
the Lord I'll magnify;
And will sing praise unto the name
of God that is most high.

PSALM 8.

1 HOW excellent in all the earth,
Lord, our Lord, is thy name!
Who hast thy glory far advanc'd
above the starry frame.
2 From infants' and from sucklings'
thou didest strength ordain, [mouth
For thy foes' cause, that so thou
th' avenging foe restrain. [might'st
3 When I look up unto the heav'ns,
which thine own fingers fram'd,
Unto the moon, and to the stars,
which were by thee ordain'd;
4 Then say I, What is man, that he
remember'd is by thee?
Or what the son of man, that thou
so kind to him should'st be?
5 For thou a little lower hast
him than the angels made;
With glory and with dignity
thou crowned hast his head.
6 Of thy hands' works thou mad'st him
all under's feet didst lay; [lord,
7 All sheep and oxen, yea, and beasts
that in the field do stray;
8 Fowls of the air, fish of the sea,
all that pass through the same.
9 How excellent in all the earth,
Lord, our Lord, is thy name!

PSALM 9.

1 LORD, thee I'll praise with all my
thy wonders all proclaim. [heart,
2 In thee, most High, I'll greatly joy,
and sing unto thy name.
3 When back my foes were turn'd, they
and perish'd at thy sight: [fell.
4 For thou maintain'dst my right and
cause;
on throne sat'st judging right.
5 The heathen thou rebuked hast,
the wicked overthrown;
Thou hast put out their names, that
may never more be known. [they
6 O en'my! now destructions have
an end perpetual:
Thou cities raz'd, perish'd with them
is their memorial.
7 God shall endure for aye; he doth
for judgment set his throne;
8 In righteousness to judge the world,
justice to give each one.
9 God also will a refuge be
for those that are oppress'd;
A refuge will he be in times
of trouble to distress'd.

10 And they that know thy name, in thee
their confidence will place:
For thou hast not forsaken them
that truly seek thy face.
11 O sing ye praises to the Lord
that dwells in Sion hill;
And all the nations among
his deeds record ye still.

12 When he enquireth after blood,
he then rememb'reth them:
The humble folk he not forgets
that call upon his name.
13 Lord, pity me; behold the grief
which I from foes sustain;
Ev'n thou, who from the gates of death
dost raise me up again;

14 That I, in Sion's daughters' gates,
may all thy praise advance;
And that I may rejoice always
in thy deliverance.
15 The heathen are sunk in the pit
which they themselves prepar'd;
And in the net which they have hid
their own feet fast are snar'd.

16 The Lord is by the judgment known
which he himself hath wrought:
The sinners' hands do make the snares
wherewith themselves are caught.
17 They who are wicked into hell
each one shall turned be;
And all the nations that forget
to seek the Lord most high.

18 For they that needy are shall not
forgotten be alway;
The expectation of the poor
shall not be lost for aye.
19 Arise, Lord, let not man prevail;
judge heathen in thy sight:
20 That they may know themselves but
the nations, Lord, affright. [men,

PSALM 10.

1 WHEREFORE is it that thou, O [Lord,
dost stand from us afar?
And wherefore hidest thou thyself
when times so troublous are?
2 The wicked in his loftiness
doth persecute the poor:
In these devices they have fram'd
let them be taken sure.

3 The wicked of his heart's desire
doth talk with boasting great;
He blesseth him that's covetous,
whom yet the Lord doth hate.
4 The wicked, through his pride of face,
on God he doth not call;
And in the counsels of his heart
the Lord is not at all.

5 His ways they always grievous are;
thy judgments from his sight
Removed are: at all his foes
he puffeth with despight.
6 Within his heart he thus hath said,
I shall not moved be;
And no adversity at all
shall ever come to me.

7 His mouth with cursing, fraud, deceit,
is fill'd abundantly;
And underneath his tongue there is
mischief and vanity.
8 He closely sits in villages;
he slays the innocent:
Against the poor that pass him by
his cruel eyes are bent.

9 He, lion-like, lurks in his den;
he waits the poor to take;
And when he draws him in his net,
his prey he doth him make.
10 Himself he humbleth very low
he croucheth down withal,
That so a multitude of poor
may by his strong ones fall.

11 He thus hath said within his heart,
The Lord hath quite forgot;
He hides his countenance, and he
for ever sees it not.
12 O Lord, do thou arise; O God,
lift up thine hand on high:
Put not the meek afflicted ones
out of thy memory.

13 Why is it that the wicked man
thus doth the Lord despise?
Because that God will it require
he in his heart denies.
14 Thou hast it seen; for their mischief
and spite thou wilt repay:
The poor commits himself to thee;
thou art the orphan's stay.

15 The arm break of the wicked man,
and of the evil one;
Do thou seek out his wickedness,
until thou findest none.
16 The Lord is king through ages all,
ev'n to eternity;
The heathen people from his land
are perish'd utterly.

17 O Lord, of those that humble are
thou the desire didst hear;
Thou wilt prepare their heart, and thou
to hear wilt bend thine ear;
18 To judge the fatherless, and those
that are oppressed sore;
That man, that is but sprung of earth,
may them oppress no more.

PSALM 11.

1 IN the Lord do put my trust:
how is it then that ye
Say to my soul, Flee, as a bird,
unto your mountain high?

2 For, lo, the wicked bend their bow,
their shafts on string they fit,
That those who upright are in heart
they privily may hit.
3 If the foundations be destroy'd,
what hath the righteous done?
4 God in his holy temple is,
in heaven is his throne:
His eyes do see, his eyelids try
5 men's sons. The just he proves:
But his soul hates the wicked man,
and him that vi'lence loves.
6 Snares, fire and brimstone, furious
on sinners he shall rain: [storms,
This, as the portion of their cup,
doth unto them pertain.
7 Because the Lord most righteous doth
in righteousness delight;
And with a pleasant countenance
beholdeth the upright.

PSALM 12.

1 HELP, Lord, because the godly man
doth daily fade away;
And from among the sons of men
the faithful do decay.
2 Unto his neighbour ev'ry one
doth utter vanity:
They with a double heart do speak,
and lips of flattery.
3 God shall cut off all flatt'ring lips,
tongues that speak proudly thus,
4 We'll with our tongue prevail, our lips
are ours: who's lord o'er us?
5 For poor oppress'd, and for the sighs
of needy, rise will I,
Saith God, and him in safety set
from such as him defy.
6 The words of God are words most pure;
they be like silver try'd
In earthen furnace, seven times
that hath been purify'd.
7 Lord, thou shalt them preserve and
for ever from this race. [keep
8 On each side walk the wicked, when
vile men are high in place.

PSALM 13.

1 HOW long wilt thou forget me, Lord?
shall it for ever be?
O how long shall it be that thou
wilt hide thy face from me?
2 How long take counsel in my soul,
still sad in heart, shall I?
How long exalted over me
shall be mine enemy?
3 O Lord my God, consider well,
and answer to me make:
Mine eyes enlighten, lest the sleep
of death me overtake:
4 Lest that mine enemy should say,
Against him I prevail'd;
And those that trouble me rejoice,
when I am mov'd and fail'd.
5 But I have all my confidence
thy mercy set upon;
My heart within me shall rejoice
in thy salvation.
6 I will unto the Lord my God
sing praises cheerfully,
Because he hath his bounty shown
to me abundantly.

PSALM 14.

1 THAT there is not a God, the fool
doth in his heart conclude:
They are corrupt, their works are vile;
not one of them doth good.
2 Upon men's sons the Lord from heav'n
did cast his eyes abroad,
To see if any understood,
and did seek after God.
3 They altogether filthy are,
they all aside are gone;
And there is none that doeth good,
yea, sure there is not one.
4 These workers of iniquity
do they not know at all,
That they my people eat as bread,
and on God do not call?
5 There fear'd they much; for God is with
the whole race of the just.
6 You shame the counsel of the poor,
because God is his trust.
7 Let Isr'el's help from Sion come:
when back the Lord shall bring
His captives, Jacob shall rejoice,
and Israel shall sing.

PSALM 15.

1 WITHIN thy tabernacle, Lord,
who shall abide with thee?
And in thy high and holy hill
who shall a dweller be?
2 The man that walketh uprightly,
and worketh righteousness,
And as he thinketh in his heart,
so doth he truth express.
3 Who doth not slander with his tongue,
nor to his friend doth hurt;
Nor yet against his neighbour doth
take up an ill report.
4 In whose eyes vile men are despis'd;
but those that God do fear
He honoureth; and changeth not,
though to his hurt he swear.
5 His coin puts not to usury,
nor take reward will he
Against the guiltless. Who doth thus
shall never moved be.

PSALM 16.

1 LORD, keep me; for I trust in thee.
2 To God thus was my speech,

Thou art my Lord; and unto thee
my goodness doth not reach:
3 To saints on earth, to th' excellent,
where my delight's all plac'd.
4 Their sorrows shall be multiply'd
to other gods that haste:
Of their drink-offerings of blood
I will no off'ring make;
Yea, neither I their very names
up in my lips will take.
5 God is of mine inheritance
and cup the portion;
The lot that fallen is to me
thou dost maintain alone.

6 Unto me happily the lines
in pleasant places fell;
Yea, the inheritance I got
in beauty doth excel.
7 I bless the Lord, because he doth
by counsel me conduct;
And in the seasons of the night
my reins do me instruct.

8 Before me still the Lord I set:
sith it is so that he
Doth ever stand at my right hand,
I shall not moved be.
9 Because of this my heart is glad,
and joy shall be exprest
Ev'n by my glory; and my flesh
in confidence shall rest.

10 Because my soul in grave to dwell
shall not be left by thee;
Nor wilt thou give thine Holy One
corruption to see.
11 Thou wilt me shew the path of life:
of joys there is full store
Before thy face; at thy right hand
are pleasures evermore.

PSALM 17.

1 LORD, hear the right, attend my cry,
unto my pray'r give heed,
That doth not in hypocrisy
from feigned lips proceed.
2 And from before thy presence forth
my sentence do thou send:
Toward these things that equal are
do thou thine eyes intend.

3 Thou prov'dst mine heart, thou visit'dst
by night, thou didst me try, [me
Yet nothing found'st; for that my
shall not sin, purpos'd I. [mouth
4 As for men's works, I, by the word
that from thy lips doth flow,
Did me preserve out of the paths
wherein destroyers go.

5 Hold up my goings, Lord, me guide
in those thy paths divine,
So that my footsteps may not slide
out of those ways of thine.

6 I called have on thee, O God,
because thou wilt me hear:
That thou may'st hearken to my
to me incline thine ear. [speech,

7 Thy wondrous loving-kindness show,
thou that, by thy right hand,
Sav'st them that trust in thee from those
that up against them stand.
8 As th' apple of the eye me keep;
in thy wings shade me close
9 From lewd oppressors, compassing
me round, as deadly foes.

10 In their own fat they are inclos'd;
their mouth speaks loftily.
11 Our steps they compass'd; and to
down bowing set their eye. [ground
12 He like unto a lion is
that's greedy of his prey,
Or lion young, which lurking doth
in secret places stay.

13 Arise, and disappoint my foe,
and cast him down, O Lord:
My soul save from the wicked man,
the man which is thy sword.
14 From men, which are thy hand, O Lord,
from worldly men me save,
Which only in this present life
their part and portion have.
Whose belly with thy treasure hid
thou fill'st: they children have
In plenty; of their goods the rest
they to their children leave.
15 But as for me, I thine own face
in righteousness will see;
And with thy likeness, when I wake,
I satisfy'd shall be.

PSALM 18.

1 THEE will I love, O Lord, my strength.
2 My fortress is the Lord,
My rock, and he that doth to me
deliverance afford:
My God, my strength, whom I will trust,
a buckler unto me,
The horn of my salvation,
and my high tow'r, is he.

3 Upon the Lord, who worthy is
of praises, will I cry;
And then shall I preserved be
safe from mine enemy.
4 Floods of ill men affrighted me,
death's pangs about me went;
5 Hell's sorrows me environed;
death's snares did me prevent.

6 In my distress I call'd on God,
cry to my God did I;
He from his temple heard my voice,
to his ears came my cry.
7 Th' earth, as affrighted, then did shake,
trembling upon it seiz'd:
The hills' foundations moved were,
because he was displeas'd.

8 Up from his nostrils came a smoke,
and from his mouth there came
Devouring fire, and coals by it
were turned into flame.
9 He also bowed down the heav'ns,
and thence he did descend;
And thickest clouds of darkness did
under his feet attend.

10 And he upon a cherub rode,
and thereon he did fly;
Yea, on the swift wings of the wind
his flight was from on high.
11 He darkness made his secret place:
about him, for his tent,
Dark waters were, and thickest clouds
of th' airy firmament.

12 And at the brightness of that light,
which was before his eye,
His thick clouds pass'd away, hailstones
and coals of fire did fly.
13 The Lord God also in the heav'ns
did thunder in his ire;
And there the Highest gave his voice,
hailstones and coals of fire.

14 Yea, he his arrows sent abroad,
and them he scattered;
His lightnings also he shot out,
and them discomfited.
15 The waters' channels then were seen,
the world's foundations vast
At thy rebuke discover'd were,
and at thy nostrils' blast.

16 And from above the Lord sent down,
and took me from below;
From many waters he me drew,
which would me overflow.
17 He me relief'd from my strong foes,
and such as did me hate;
Because he saw that they for me
too strong were, and too great.

18 They me prevented in the day
of my calamity;
But even then the Lord himself
a stay was unto me.
19 He to a place where liberty
and room was hath me brought;
Because he took delight in me,
he my deliv'rance wrought.

20 According to my righteousness
he did me recompense,
He me repaid according to
my hands' pure innocence.
21 For I God's ways kept, from my God
did not turn wickedly.
22 His judgments were before me, I
his laws put not from me.

23 Sincere before him was my heart;
with him upright was I;
And watchfully I kept myself
from mine iniquity.

24 After my righteousness the Lord
hath recompensed me,
After the cleanness of my hands
appearing in his eye.

25 Thou gracious to the gracious art,
to upright men upright:
26 Pure to the pure, froward thou kyth'st
unto the froward wight.
27 For thou wilt the afflicted save
in grief that low do lie:
But wilt bring down the countenance
of them whose looks are high.

28 The Lord will light my candle so,
that it shall shine full bright:
The Lord my God will also make
my darkness to be light.
29 By thee through troops of men I break,
and them discomfit all;
And, by my God assisting me,
I overleap a wall.

30 As for God, perfect is his way:
the Lord his word is try'd;
He is a buckler to all those
who do in him confide.
31 Who but the Lord is God? but he
who is a rock and stay?
32 'Tis God that girdeth me with strength,
and perfect makes my way.

33 He made my feet swift as the hinds,
set me on my high places.
34 Mine hands to war he taught, mine arms
brake bows of steel in pieces.
35 The shield of thy salvation
thou didst on me bestow:
Thy right hand held me up, and great
thy kindness made me grow.

36 And in my way my steps thou hast
enlarged under me,
That I go safely, and my feet
are kept from sliding free.
37 Mine en'mies I pursued have,
and did them overtake;
Nor did I turn again till I
an end of them did make.

38 I wounded them, they could not rise;
they at my feet did fall.
39 Thou girdedst me with strength for war;
my foes thou brought'st down all:
40 And thou hast giv'n to me the necks
of all mine enemies;
That I might them destroy and slay,
who did against me rise.

41 They cried out, but there was none
that would or could them save;
Yea, they did cry unto the Lord,
but he no answer gave.
42 Then did I beat them small as dust
before the wind that flies;
And I did cast them out like dirt
upon the street that lies.

43 Thou mad'st me free from people's
and heathen's head to be: [strife,
A people whom I have not known
shall serviee do to me.
44 At hearing they shall me obey,
to me they shall submit.
45 Strangers for fear shall fade away,
who in close places sit.
46 God lives, bless'd be my Rock; the
of my health praised be. [God
47 God doth avenge me, and subdues
the people under me.
48 He saves me from mine enemies;
yea, thou hast lifted me
Above my foes; and from the man
of vi'lence set me free.
49 Therefore to thee will I give thanks
the heathen folk among;
And to thy name, O Lord, I will
sing praises in a song.
50 He great deliv'ranee gives his king:
he mercy doth extend
To David, his anointed one,
and his seed without end.

PSALM 19.

1 THE heav'ns God's glory do deelare,
the skies his hand-works preaeh:
2 Day utters speech to day, and night
to night doth knowledge teach.
3 There is no speech nor tongue to which
their voiee doth not extend:
4 Their line is gone through all the earth,
their words to the world's end.
In them he set the sun a tent;
5 Who, bridegroom-like, forth goes
From's chamber, as a strong man doth
to run his race rejoice.
6 From heav'n's end is his going forth,
circling to th' end again;
And there is nothing from his heat
that hidden doth remain.
7 God's law is perfect, and converts
the soul in sin that lies:
God's testimony is most sure,
and makes the simple wise.
8 The statutes of the Lord are right,
and do rejoiee the heart:
The Lord's command is pure, and doth
light to the eyes impart.
9 Unspotted is the fear of God,
and doth endure for ever:
The judgments of the Lord are true
and righteous altogether.
10 They more than gold, yea, much fine
to be desired are: [gold,
Than honey, honey from the comb
that droppeth, sweeter far.
11 Moreover, they thy servant warn
how he his life should frame:
A great reward provided is
for them that keep the same.
12 Who can his errors understand?
O cleanse thou me within
13 From seeret faults. Thy servant keep
from all presumptuous sin:
And do not suffer them to have
dominion over me:
Then, righteous and innocent,
I from much sin shall be.
14 The words which from my mouth
proceed,
the thoughts sent from my heart,
Accept, O Lord, for thou my strength
and my Redeemer art.

PSALM 20.

1 JEHOVAH hear thee in the day
when trouble he doth send:
And let the name of Jaeob's God
thee from all ill defend.
2 O let him help send from above,
out of his sanetuary:
From Sion, his own holy hill,
let him give strength to thee.
3 Let him remember all thy gifts,
accept thy sacrifice:
4 Grant thee thine heart's wish, and fulfil
thy thoughts and counsel wise.
5 In thy salvation we will joy;
in our God's name we will
Display our banners: and the Lord
thy prayers all fulfil.
6 Now know I God his king doth save:
he from his holy heav'n
Will hear him, with the saving strength
by his own right hand giv'n.
7 In chariots some put confidence,
some horses trust upon:
But we remember will the name
of our Lord God alone.
8 We rise, and upright stand, when they
are bowed down, and fall.
9 Deliver, Lord; and let the King
us hear, when we do call.

PSALM 21.

1 THE king in thy great strength, O
shall very joyful be: [Lord,
In thy salvation rejoiee
how veh'mently shall he!
2 Thou hast bestowed upon him
all that his heart would have;
And thou from him didst not withhold
whate'er his lips did crave.
3 For thou with blessings him prevent'st
of goodness manifold;
And thou hast set upon his head
a crown of purest gold.
4 When he desired life of thee,
thou life to him didst give;
Ev'n such a length of days, that he
for evermore should live.

5 In that salvation wrought by thee
his glory is made great;
Honour and comely majesty
thou hast upon him set.
6 Because that thou for evermore
most blessed hast him made;
And thou hast with thy countenance
made him exceeding glad.
7 Because the king upon the Lord
his confidence doth lay;
And through the grace of the most
shall not be mov'd away. [High
8 Thine hand shall all those men find
that en'mies are to thee; [out
Ev'n thy right hand shall find out
of thee that haters be. [those
9 Like fiery ov'n thou shalt them make,
when kindled is thine ire;
God shall them swallow in his wrath,
devour them shall the fire.
10 Their fruit from earth thou shalt
destroy,
their seed men from among:
11 For they beyond their might 'gainst
did plot mischief and wrong. [thee
12 Thou therefore shalt make them turn
back,
when thou thy shafts shalt place
Upon thy strings, made ready all
to fly against their face.
13 In thy great pow'r and strength, O
be thou exalted high; [Lord,
So shall we sing with joyful hearts,
thy power praise shall we.

PSALM 22.

1 MY God, my God, why hast thou me
forsaken? why so far
Art thou from helping me, and from
my words that roaring are?
2 All day, my God, to thee I cry,
yet am not heard by thee;
And in the season of the night
I cannot silent be.
3 But thou art holy, thou that dost
inhabit Isr'el's praise.
4 Our fathers hop'd in thee, they hop'd,
and thou didst them release.
5 When unto thee they sent their cry,
to them deliv'rance came:
Because they put their trust in thee,
they were not put to shame.
6 But as for me, a worm I am,
and as no man am priz'd:
Reproach of men I am, and by
the people am despis'd.
7 All that me see laugh me to scorn;
shoot out the lip do they;
They nod and shake their heads at me,
and, mocking, thus do say,
8 This man did trust in God, that he
would free him by his might:
Let him deliver him, sith he
had in him such delight.
9 But thou art he out of the womb
that didst me safely take;
When I was on my mother's breasts
thou me to hope didst make.
10 And I was cast upon thy care,
ev'n from the womb till now;
And from my mother's belly, Lord,
my God and guide art thou.
11 Be not far off, for grief is near,
and none to help is found.
12 Bulls many compass me, strong bulls
of Bashan me surround.
13 Their mouths they open'd wide on me,
upon me gape did they,
Like to a lion ravening
and roaring for his prey.
14 Like water I'm pour'd out, my bones
all out of joint do part:
Amidst my bowels, as the wax,
so melted is my heart.
15 My strength is like a potsherd dry'd;
my tongue it cleaveth fast
Unto my jaws; and to the dust
of death thou brought me hast.
16 For dogs have compass'd me about:
the wicked, that did meet
In their assembly, me inclos'd;
they pierc'd my hands and feet.
17 I all my bones may tell; they do
upon me look and stare.
18 Upon my vesture lots they cast,
and clothes among them share.
19 But be not far, O Lord, my strength;
haste to give help to me.
20 From sword my soul, from pow'r of
my darling set thou free. [dogs
21 Out of the roaring lion's mouth
do thou me shield and save:
For from the horns of unicorns
an ear to me thou gave.
22 I will shew forth thy name unto
those that my brethren are;
Amidst the congregation
thy praise I will declare.
23 Praise ye the Lord, who do him fear;
him glorify all ye
The seed of Jacob: fear him all
that Isr'el's children be.
24 For he despis'd not nor abhorr'd
th' afflicted's misery;
Nor from him hid his face, but heard
when he to him did cry.
25 Within the congregation great
my praise shall be of thee:
My vows before them that him fear
shall be perform'd by me.
26 The meek shall eat, and shall be fill'd;
they also praise shall give
Unto the Lord that do him seek:
your heart shall ever live.

27 All ends of th' earth remember shall,
and turn the Lord unto;
All kindreds of the nations
to him shall homage do:
28 Because the kingdom to the Lord
doth appertain as his;
Likewise among the nations
the Governor he is.

29 Earth's fat ones eat, and worship shall:
all who to dust descend
Shall bow to him; none of them can
his soul from death defend.
30 A seed shall service do to him;
unto the Lord it shall
Be for a generation
reckon'd in ages all.

31 They shall come, and they shall declare
his truth and righteousness
Unto a people yet unborn,
and that he hath done this.

PSALM 23.

1 THE Lord's my shepherd, I'll not
2 He makes me down to lie [want.
In pastures green: he leadeth me
the quiet waters by.
3 My soul he doth restore again;
and me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
ev'n for his own name's sake.

4 Yea, though I walk in death's dark
yet will I fear none ill: [vale,
For thou art with me; and thy rod
and staff me comfort still.
5 My table thou hast furnished
in presence of my foes;
My head thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup overflows.

6 Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me:
And in God's house for evermore
my dwelling-place shall be.

PSALM 24.

1 THE earth belongs unto the Lord,
and all that it contains;
The world that is inhabited,
and all that there remains.
2 For the foundations thereof
he on the seas did lay,
And he hath it established
upon the floods to stay.

3 Who is the man that shall ascend
into the hill of God?
Or who within his holy place
shall have a firm abode?
4 Whose hands are clean, whose heart is
and unto vanity [pure,
Who hath not lifted up his soul,
nor sworn deccitfully.

5 He from th' Eternal shall receive
the blessing him upon,
And righteousness, ev'n from the God
of his salvation.
6 This is the generation
that after him enquire,
O Jacob, who do seek thy face
with their whole heart's desire.

7 Ye gates, lift up your heads on high;
ye doors that last for aye,
Be lifted up, that so the King
of glory enter may.
8 But who of glory is the King?
The mighty Lord is this;
Ev'n that same Lord, that great in
and strong in battle is. [might

9 Ye gates, lift up your heads; ye doors,
doors that do last for aye,
Be lifted up, that so the King
of glory enter may.
10 But who is he that is the King
of glory? who is this?
The Lord of hosts, and none but he,
the King of glory is.

PSALM 25.

1 TO thee I lift my soul:
2 O Lord, I trust in thee:
My God, let me not be asham'd,
nor foes triumph o'er me.
3 Let none that wait on thee
be put to shame at all;
But those that without cause transgress,
let shame upon them fall.

4 Shew me thy ways, O Lord;
thy paths, O teach thou me:
5 And do thou lead me in thy truth,
therein my teacher be:
For thou art God that dost
to me salvation send,
And I upon thee all the day
expecting do attend.

6 Thy tender mercies, Lord,
I pray thee to remember,
And loving-kindnesses; for they
have been of old for ever.
7 My sins and faults of youth
do thou, O Lord, forget:
After thy mercy think on me,
and for thy goodness great.

8 God good and upright is:
the way he'll sinners show.
9 The meek in judgment he will guide,
and make his path to know.
10 The whole paths of the Lord
are truth and mercy sure,
To those that do his cov'nant keep,
and testimonies pure.

11 Now, for thine own name's sake,
O Lord, I thee entreat
To pardon mine iniquity;
for it is very great.

12 What man is he that fears
the Lord, and doth him serve?
Him shall he teach the way that he
shall chuse, and still observe.
13 His soul shall dwell at ease;
and his posterity
Shall flourish still, and of the earth
inheritors shall be.
14 With those that fear him is
the secret of the Lord;
The knowledge of his covenant
he will to them afford.
15 Mine eyes upon the Lord
continually are set;
For he it is that shall bring forth
my feet out of the net.
16 Turn unto me thy face,
and to me mercy show;
Because that I am desolate,
and am brought very low
17 My heart's griefs are increas'd:
me from distress relieve.
18 See mine affliction and my pain,
and all my sins forgive.
19 Consider thou my foes,
because they many are;
And it a cruel hatred is
which they against me bear.
20 O do thou keep my soul,
do thou deliver me:
And let me never be asham'd,
because I trust in thee.
21 Let uprightness and truth
keep me, who thee attend.
22 Redemption, Lord, to Israel
from all his troubles send.

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1 TO thee I lift my soul, O Lord:
2 My God, I trust in thee:
Let me not be asham'd; let not
my foes triumph o'er me.
3 Yea, let thou none ashamed be
that do on thee attend:
Ashamed let them be, O Lord,
who without cause offend.
4 Thy ways, Lord, shew; teach me thy [paths:
5 Lead me in truth, teach me:
For of my safety thou art God;
all day I wait on thee.
6 Thy mercies, that most tender are,
do thou, O Lord, remember,
And loving-kindnesses; for they
have been of old for ever.
7 Let not the errors of my youth,
nor sins, remember'd be:
In mercy, for thy goodness' sake,
O Lord, remember me.
8 The Lord is good and gracious,
he upright is also:
He therefore sinners will instruct
in ways that they should go.
9 The meek and lowly he will guide
in judgment just alway:
To meek and poor afflicted ones
he'll clearly teach his way.
10 The whole paths of the Lord our God
are truth and mercy sure,
To such as keep his covenant,
and testimonies pure.
11 Now, for thine own name's sake, O [Lord,
I humbly thee entreat
To pardon mine iniquity;
for it is very great.
12 What man fears God? him shall he [teach
the way that he shall chuse.
13 His soul shall dwell at ease; his seed
the earth, as heirs, shall use.
14 The secret of the Lord is with
such as do fear his name;
And he his holy covenant
will manifest to them.
15 Towards the Lord my waiting eyes
continually are set;
For he it is that shall bring forth
my feet out of the net.
16 O turn thee unto me, O God,
have mercy me upon;
Because I solitary am,
and in affliction.
17 Enlarg'd the griefs are of mine heart;
me from distress relieve.
18 See mine affliction and my pain,
and all my sins forgive.
19 Consider thou mine enemies,
because they many are;
And it a cruel hatred is
which they against me bear.
20 O do thou keep my soul; O God,
do thou deliver me:
Let me not be asham'd; for I
do put my trust in thee.
21 O let integrity and truth
keep me, who thee attend.
22 Redemption, Lord, to Israel
from all his troubles send.

PSALM 26.

1 JUDGE me, O Lord, for I have walk'd
in mine integrity:
I trusted also in the Lord;
slide therefore shall not I.
2 Examine me, and do me prove;
try heart and reins, O God:
3 For thy love is before mine eyes,
thy truth's paths I have trode.
4 With persons vain I have not sat,
nor with dissemblers gone:
5 Th' assembly of ill men I hate;
to sit with such I shun.
6 Mine hands in innocence, O Lord,
I'll wash and purify;
So to thine holy altar go,
and compass it will I:

7 That I, with voice of thanksgiving,
may publish and declare,
And tell of all thy mighty works,
that great and wondrous are.
8 The habitation of thy house,
Lord, I have loved well;
Yea, in that place I do delight
where doth thine honour dwell.

9 With sinners gather not my soul,
and such as blood would spill:
10 Whose hands mischievous plots, right
corrupting bribes do fill. [hand
11 But as for me, I will walk on
in mine integrity:
Do thou redeem me, and, O Lord,
be merciful to me.

12 My foot upon an even place
doth stand with stedfastness:
Within the congregations
th' Eternal I will bless.

PSALM 27.

1 THE Lord's my light and saving health,
who shall make me dismay'd?
My life's strength is the Lord, of whom
then shall I be afraid?
2 When as mine enemies and foes,
most wicked persons all,
To eat my flesh against me rose,
they stumbled and did fall.

3 Against me though an host encamp,
my heart yet fearless is:
Though war against me rise, I will
be confident in this.
4 One thing I of the Lord desir'd,
and will seek to obtain,
That all days of my life I may
within God's house remain;

That I the beauty of the Lord
behold may and admire,
And that I in his holy place
may rev'rently enquire.
5 For he in his pavilion shall
me hide in evil days;
In secret of his tent me hide,
and on a rock me raise.

6 And now, ev'n at this present time,
mine head shall lifted be
Above all those that are my foes,
and round encompass me:
Therefore unto his tabernacle
I'll sacrifices bring
Of joyfulness; I'll sing, yea, I
to God will praises sing.

7 O Lord, give ear unto my voice,
when I do cry to thee;
Upon me also mercy have,
and do thou answer me.
8 When thou didst say, Seek ye my face,
then unto thee reply
Thus did my heart, Above all things
thy face, Lord, seek will I.

9 Far from me hide not thou thy face;
put not away from thee
Thy servant in thy wrath: thou hast
an helper been to me.
O God of my salvation,
leave me not, nor forsake:
10 Though me my parents both should
the Lord will me up take. [leave,
11 O Lord, instruct me in thy way,
to me a leader be
In a plain path, because of those
that hatred bear to me.
12 Give me not to mine en'mies' will;
for witnesses that lie
Against me risen are, and such
as breathe out cruelty.

13 I fainted had, unless that I
believed had to see
The Lord's own goodness in the land
of them that living be.
14 Wait on the Lord, and be thou strong,
and he shall strength afford
Unto thine heart; yea, do thou wait,
I say, upon the Lord.

PSALM 28.

1 TO thee I'll cry, O Lord, my rock;
hold not thy peace to me;
Lest like those that to pit descend
I by thy silence be.
2 The voice hear of my humble pray'rs,
when unto thee I cry;
When to thine holy oracle
I lift mine hands on high.

3 With ill men draw me not away
that work iniquity;
That speak peace to their friends, while
their hearts doth mischief lie. [in
4 Give them according to their deeds
and ills endeavoured:
And as their handy-works deserve,
to them be rendered.

5 God shall not build, but them destroy,
who would not understand
The Lord's own works, nor did regard
the doing of his hand.
6 For ever blessed be the Lord,
for graciously he heard
The voice of my petitions,
and prayers did regard.

7 The Lord's my strength and shield: my
upon him did rely; [heart
And I am helped: hence my heart
doth joy exceedingly,
And with my song I will him praise.
8 Their strength is God alone:
He also is the saving strength
of his anointed one.

9 O thine own people do thou save,
bless thine inheritance;
Them also do thou feed, and them
for evermore advance.

PSALM 29.

1 GIVE ye unto the Lord, ye sons
that of the mighty be,
All strength and glory to the Lord
with cheerfulness give ye.
2 Unto the Lord the glory give
that to his name is due;
And in the beauty of holiness
unto JEHOVAH bow.

3 The Lord's voice on the waters is;
the God of majesty
Doth thunder, and on multitudes
of waters sitteth he.
4 A pow'rful voice it is that comes
out from the Lord most high;
The voice of that great Lord is full
of glorious majesty.

5 The voice of the Eternal doth
asunder cedars tear;
Yea, God the Lord doth cedars break
that Lebanon doth bear.
6 He makes them like a calf to skip,
ev'n that great Lebanon,
And, like to a young unicorn,
the mountain Sirion.

7 God's voice divides the flames of fire;
8 The desert it doth shake:
The Lord doth make the wilderness
of Kadesh all to quake.
9 God's voice doth make the hinds to
it makes the forest bare: [calve,
And in his temple ev'ry one
his glory doth declare.

10 The Lord sits on the floods; the Lord
sits King, and ever shall.
11 The Lord will give his people strength,
and with peace bless them all.

PSALM 30.

1 LORD, I will thee extol, for thou
hast lifted me on high,
And over me thou to rejoice
mad'st not mine enemy.
2 O thou who art the Lord my God,
I in distress to thee,
With loud cries lifted up my voice,
and thou hast healed me.

3 O Lord, my soul thou hast brought up,
and rescu'd from the grave;
That I to pit should not go down,
alive thou didst me save.
4 O ye that are his holy ones,
sing praise unto the Lord;
And give unto him thanks, when ye
his holiness record.

5 For but a moment lasts his wrath;
life in his favour lies:
Weeping may for a night endure,
at morn doth joy arise.
6 In my prosperity I said,
that nothing shall me move.
7 O Lord, thou hast my mountain made
to stand strong by thy love:

But when that thou, O gracious God,
didst hide thy face from me,
Then quickly was my prosp'rous state
turn'd into misery.
8 Wherefore unto the Lord my cry
I caused to ascend:
My humble supplication
I to the Lord did send.

9 What profit is there in my blood,
when I go down to pit?
Shall unto thee the dust give praise?
thy truth declare shall it?
10 Hear, Lord, have mercy; help me, Lord:
11 Thou turned hast my sadness
To dancing; yea, my sackcloth loos'd,
and girded me with gladness;

12 That sing thy praise my glory may,
and never silent be.
O Lord my God, for evermore
I will give thanks to thee.

PSALM 31.

1 IN thee, O Lord, I put my trust,
sham'd let me never be;
According to thy righteousness
do thou deliver me.
2 Bow down thine ear to me, with speed
send me deliverance:
To save me, my strong rock be thou,
and my house of defence.

3 Because thou art my rock, and thee
I for my fortress take;
Therefore do thou me lead and guide,
ev'n for thine own name's sake.
4 And sith thou art my strength, there-
pull me out of the net, [fore
Which they in subtilty for me
so privily have set.

5 Into thine hands I do commit
my sp'rit: for thou art he,
O thou, JEHOVAH, God of truth,
that hast redeemed me.
6 Those that do lying vanities
regard, I have abhorr'd:
But as for me, my confidence
is fixed on the Lord.

7 I'll in thy mercy gladly joy:
for thou my miseries
Consider'd hast; thou hast my soul
known in adversities:
8 And thou hast not inclosed me
within the en'my's hand;

And by thee have my feet been made
in a large room to stand.

9 O Lord, upon me mercy have,
for trouble is on me:
Mine eye, my belly, and my soul,
with grief consumed be.
10 Because my life with grief is spent,
my years with sighs and groans:
My strength doth fail; and for my sin
consumed are my bones.

11 I was a scorn to all my foes,
and to my friends a fear;
And specially reproach'd of those
that were my neighbours near:
When they me saw they from me fled.
12 Ev'n so I am forgot,
As men are out of mind when dead:
I'm like a broken pot.

13 For slanders I of many heard;
fear compass'd me, while they
Against me did consult, and plot
to take my life away.
14 But as for me, O Lord, my trust
upon thee I did lay;
And I to thee, Thou art my God,
did confidently say.

15 My times are wholly in thine hand:
do thou deliver me
From their hands that mine enemies
and persecutors be.
16 Thy countenance to shine do thou
upon thy servant make:
Unto me give salvation,
for thy great mercies' sake.

17 Let me not be asham'd, O Lord,
for on thee call'd I have:
Let wicked men be sham'd, let them
be silent in the grave.
18 To silence put the lying lips,
that grievous things do say,
And hard reports, in pride and scorn,
on righteous men do lay.

19 How great's the goodness thou for them
that fear thee keep'st in store,
And wrought'st for them that trust in
the sons of men before! [thee
20 In secret of thy presence thou
shalt hide them from man's pride:
From strife of tongues thou closely
as in a tent, them hide. [shalt,

21 All praise and thanks be to the Lord;
for he hath magnify'd
His wondrous love to me within
a city fortify'd.
22 For from thine eyes cut off I am,
I in my haste had said;
My voice yet heard'st thou, when to
with cries my moan I made. [thee

23 O love the Lord, all ye his saints;
because the Lord doth guard
The faithful, and he plenteously
proud doers doth reward.
24 Be of good courage, and he strength
unto your heart shall send,
All ye whose hope and confidence
doth on the Lord depend.

PSALM 32.

1 O BLESSED is the man to whom
is freely pardoned
All the transgression he hath done,
whose sin is covered.
2 Bless'd is the man to whom the Lord
imputeth not his sin,
And in whose sp'rit there is no guile,
nor fraud is found therein.

3 When as I did refrain my speech,
and silent was my tongue,
My bones then waxed old, because
I roared all day long.
4 For upon me both day and night
thine hand did heavy lie,
So that my moisture turned is
in summer's drought thereby.

5 I thereupon have unto thee
my sin acknowledged,
And likewise mine iniquity
I have not covered:
I will confess unto the Lord
my trespasses, said I;
And of my sin thou freely didst
forgive th' iniquity.

6 For this shall ev'ry godly one
his prayer make to thee;
In such a time he shall thee seek,
as found thou mayest be.
Surely, when floods of waters great
do swell up to the brim,
They shall not overwhelm his soul,
nor once come near to him.

7 Thou art my hiding-place, thou shalt
from trouble keep me free:
Thou with songs of deliverance
about shalt compass me.
8 I will instruct thee, and thee teach
the way that thou shalt go;
And, with mine eye upon thee set,
I will direction show.

9 Then be not like the horse or mule,
which do not understand;
Whose mouth, lest they come near to
a bridle must command. [thee,
10 Unto the man that wicked is
his sorrows shall abound;
But him that trusteth in the Lord
mercy shall compass round.

11 Ye righteous, in the Lord be glad,
in him do ye rejoice:
All ye that upright are in heart,
for joy lift up your voice.

PSALM 33.

1 YE righteous, in the Lord rejoice;
it comely is and right,
That upright men, with thankful voice,
should praise the Lord of might.
2 Praise God with harp, and unto him
sing with the psaltery;
Upon a ten-string'd instrument
make ye sweet melody.

3 A new song to him sing, and play
with loud noise skilfully;
4 For right is God's word, all his works
are done in verity.
5 To judgment and to righteousness
a love he beareth still;
The loving-kindness of the Lord
the earth throughout doth fill.

6 The heavens by the word of God
did their beginning take;
And by the breathing of his mouth
he all their hosts did make.
7 The waters of the seas he brings
together as an heap;
And in storehouses, as it were,
he layeth up the deep.

8 Let earth, and all that live therein,
with rev'rence fear the Lord;
Let all the world's inhabitants
dread him with one accord.
9 For he did speak the word, and done
it was without delay;
Established it firmly stood,
whatever he did say.

10 God doth the counsel bring to nought
which heathen folk do take;
And what the people do devise
of none effect doth make.
11 O but the counsel of the Lord
doth stand for ever sure;
And of his heart the purposes
from age to age endure.

12 That nation blessed is, whose God
JEHOVAH is, and those
A blessed people are, whom for
his heritage he chose.
13 The Lord from heav'n sees and beholds
all sons of men full well:
14 He views all from his dwelling-place
that in the earth do dwell.

15 He forms their hearts alike, and all
their doings he observes.
16 Great hosts save not a king, much
no mighty man preserves. [strength
17 An horse for preservation
is a deceitful thing;
And by the greatness of his strength
can no deliv'rance bring.

18 Behold, on those that do him fear
the Lord doth set his eye;
Ev'n those who on his mercy do
with confidence rely.

19 From death to free their soul, in
life unto them to yield. [dearth
20 Our soul doth wait upon the Lord;
he is our help and shield.

21 Sith in his holy name we trust,
our heart shall joyful be.
22 Lord, let thy mercy be on us,
as we do hope in thee.

PSALM 34.

1 GOD will I bless all times; his praise
my mouth shall still express.
2 My soul shall boast in God: the meek
shall hear with joyfulness.
3 Extol the Lord with me, let us
exalt his name together.
4 I sought the Lord, he heard, and did
me from all fears deliver.

5 They look'd to him, and lighten'd were:
not shamed were their faces.
6 This poor man cry'd, God heard, and
him from all his distresses. [sav'd
7 The angel of the Lord encamps,
and round encompasseth
All those about that do him fear,
and them delivereth.

8 O taste and see that God is good:
who trusts in him is bless'd.
9 Fear God his saints: none that him
shall be with want oppress'd. [fear
10 The lions young may hungry be,
and they may lack their food:
But they that truly seek the Lord
shall not lack any good.

11 O children, hither do ye come,
and unto me give ear;
I shall you teach to understand
how ye the Lord should fear.
12 What man is he that life desires,
to see good would live long?
13 Thy lips refrain from speaking guile,
and from ill words thy tongue.

14 Depart from ill, do good, seek peace,
pursue it earnestly.
15 God's eyes are on the just; his ears
are open to their cry.
16 The face of God is set against
those that do wickedly,
That he may quite out from the earth
cut off their memory.

17 The righteous cry unto the Lord,
he unto them gives ear;
And they out of their troubles all
by him deliver'd are.
18 The Lord is ever nigh to them
that be of broken sp'rit;
To them he safety doth afford
that are in heart contrite.

19 The troubles that afflict the just
in number many be;

But yet at length out of them all
the Lord doth set him free.
20 He carefully his bones doth keep,
whatever can befall;
That not so much as one of them
can broken be at all.
21 Ill shall the wicked slay; laid waste
shall be who hate the just.
22 The Lord redeems his servants' souls;
none perish that him trust.

PSALM 35.

1 PLEAD, Lord, with those that plead;
and fight
with those that fight with me.
2 Of shield and buckler take thou hold,
stand up mine help to be.
3 Draw also out the spear, and do
against them stop the way
That me pursue: unto my soul,
I'm thy salvation, say.
4 Let them confounded be and sham'd
that for my soul have sought:
Who plot my hurt turn'd back be they,
and to confusion brought.
5 Let them be like unto the chaff
that flies before the wind;
And let the angel of the Lord
pursue them hard behind.
6 With darkness cover thou their way,
and let it slipp'ry prove;
And let the angel of the Lord
pursue them from above.
7 For without cause have they for me
their net hid in a pit,
They also have without a cause
for my soul digged it.
8 Let ruin seize him unawares;
his net he hid withal
Himself let catch; and in the same
destruction let him fall.
9 My soul in God shall joy; and glad
in his salvation be:
10 And all my bones shall say, O Lord,
who is like unto thee,
Which dost the poor set free from him
that is for him too strong;
The poor and needy from the man
that spoils and does him wrong?
11 False witnesses rose; to my charge
things I not knew they laid.
12 They, to the spoiling of my soul,
me ill for good repaid.
13 But as for me, when they were sick,
in sackcloth sad I mourn'd:
My humbled soul did fast, my pray'r
into my bosom turn'd.
14 Myself I did behave as he
had been my friend or brother;
I heavily bow'd down, as one
that mourneth for his mother.
15 But in my trouble they rejoic'd,
gath'ring themselves together;
Yea, abjects vile together did
themselves against me gather:
I knew it not; they did me tear,
and quiet would not be.
16 With mocking hypocrites, at feasts
they gnash'd their teeth at me.
17 How long, Lord, look'st thou on? from
destructions they intend [those
Rescue my soul, from lions young
my darling do defend.
18 I will give thanks to thee, O Lord,
within th' assembly great;
And where much people gather'd are
thy praises forth will set.
19 Let not my wrongful enemies
proudly rejoice o'er me;
Nor who me hate without a cause,
let them wink with the eye.
20 For peace they do not speak at all;
but crafty plots prepare
Against all those within the land
that meek and quiet are.
21 With mouths set wide, they 'gainst me
Ha, ha! our eye doth see. [said,
22 Lord, thou hast seen, hold not thy
Lord, be not far from me. [peace;
23 Stir up thyself; wake, that thou may'st
judgment to me afford,
Ev'n to my cause, O thou that art
my only God and Lord.
24 O Lord my God, do thou me judge
after thy righteousness;
And let them not their joy 'gainst me
triumphantly express:
25 Nor let them say within their hearts,
Ah, we would have it thus;
Nor suffer them to say, that he
is swallow'd up by us.
26 Sham'd and confounded be they all
that at my hurt are glad;
Let those against me that do boast
with shame and scorn be clad.
27 Let them that love my righteous cause
be glad, shout, and not cease
To say, The Lord be magnify'd,
who loves his servant's peace.
28 Thy righteousness shall also be
declared by my tongue;
The praises that belong to thee
speak shall it all day long.

PSALM 36.

1 THE wicked man's transgression
within my heart thus says,
Undoubtedly the fear of God
is not before his eyes.
2 Because himself he flattereth
in his own blinded eye,
Until the hatefulness be found
of his iniquity.

3 Words from his mouth proceeding are,
fraud and iniquity:
He to be wise, and to do good,
hath left off utterly.
4 He mischief, lying on his bed,
most cunningly doth plot:
He sets himself in ways not good,
ill he abhorreth not.

5 Thy mercy, Lord, is in the heav'ns;
thy truth doth reach the clouds:
6 Thy justice is like mountains great;
thy judgments deep as floods:
Lord, thou preservest man and beast.
7 How precious is thy grace!
Therefore in shadow of thy wings
men's sons their trust shall place.

8 They with the fatness of thy house
shall be well satisfy'd;
From rivers of thy pleasures thou
wilt drink to them provide.
9 Because of life the fountain pure
remains alone with thee;
And in that purest light of thine
we clearly light shall see.

10 Thy loving-kindness unto them
continue that thee know;
And still on men upright in heart
thy righteousness bestow.
11 Let not the foot of cruel pride
come, and against me stand;
And let me not removed be,
Lord, by the wicked's hand.

12 There fallen are they, and ruined,
that work iniquities:
Cast down they are, and never shall
be able to arise.

PSALM 37.

1 FOR evil doers fret thou not
thyself unquietly;
Nor do thou envy bear to those
that work iniquity.
2 For, even like unto the grass,
soon be cut down shall they;
And, like the green and tender herb,
they wither shall away.

3 Set thou thy trust upon the Lord,
and be thou doing good;
And so thou in the land shalt dwell,
and verily have food.
4 Delight thyself in God; he'll give
thine heart's desire to thee.
5 Thy way to God commit, him trust,
it bring to pass shall he.

6 And, like unto the light, he shall
thy righteousness display;
And he thy judgment shall bring forth
like noon-tide of the day.
7 Rest in the Lord, and patiently
wait for him: do not fret
For him who, prosp'ring in his way,
success in sin doth get.

8 Do thou from anger cease, and wrath
see thou forsake also:
Fret not thyself in any wise,
that evil thou should'st do.
9 For those that evil doers are
shall be cut off and fall:
But those that wait upon the Lord
the earth inherit shall.

10 For yet a little while, and then
the wicked shall not be;
His place thou shalt consider well,
but it thou shalt not see.
11 But by inheritance the earth
the meek ones shall possess:
They also shall delight themselves
in an abundant peace.

12 The wicked plots against the just,
and at him whets his teeth:
13 The Lord shall laugh at him, because
his day he coming seeth.
14 The wicked have drawn out the sword,
and bent their bow, to slay
The poor and needy, and to kill
men of an upright way.

15 But their own sword, which they have drawn,
shall enter their own heart:
Their bows which they have bent shall break,
and into pieces part.
16 A little that a just man hath
is more and better far
Than is the wealth of many such
as lewd and wicked are.

17 For sinners' arms shall broken be;
but God the just sustains.
18 God knows the just man's days, and still
their heritage remains.
19 They shall not be asham'd when they
the evil time do see;
And when the days of famine are,
they satisfy'd shall be.

20 But wicked men, and foes of God,
as fat of lambs, decay;
They shall consume, yea, into smoke
they shall consume away.
21 The wicked borrows, but the same
again he doth not pay;
Whereas the righteous mercy shews,
and gives his own away.

22 For such as blessed be of him
the earth inherit shall;
And they that cursed are of him
shall be destroyed all.
23 A good man's footsteps by the Lord
are ordered aright;
And in the way wherein he walks
he greatly doth delight.

24 Although he fall, yet shall he not
be cast down utterly;
Because the Lord with his own hand
upholds him mightily.
25 I have been young, and now am old,
yet have I never seen
The just man left, nor that his seed
for bread have beggars been.

26 He's ever merciful, and lends:
his seed is bless'd therefore.
27 Depart from evil, and do good,
and dwell for evermore.
28 For God loves judgment, and his saints
leaves not in any case;
They are kept ever: but cut off
shall be the sinner's race.

29 The just inherit shall the land,
and ever in it dwell:
30 The just man's mouth doth wisdom
speak;
his tongue doth judgment tell.
31 In's heart the law is of his God,
his steps slide not away.
32 The wicked man doth watch the just,
and seeketh him to slay.

33 Yet him the Lord will not forsake,
nor leave him in his hands:
The righteous will he not condemn,
when he in judgment stands.
34 Wait on the Lord, and keep his way,
and thee exalt shall he
Th' earth to inherit; when cut off
the wicked thou shalt see.

35 I saw the wicked great in pow'r,
spread like a green bay-tree:
36 He pass'd, yea, was not; him I sought,
but found he could not be.
37 Mark thou the perfect, and behold
the man of uprightness;
Because that surely of this man
the latter end is peace.

38 But those men that transgressors are
shall be destroy'd together;
The latter end of wicked men
shall be cut off for ever.
39 But the salvation of the just
is from the Lord above;
He in the time of their distress
their stay and strength doth prove.

40 The Lord shall help, and them deliver:
he shall them free and save
From wicked men; because in him
their confidence they have.

PSALM 38.

1 IN thy great indignation,
O Lord, rebuke me not;
Nor on me lay thy chast'ning hand,
in thy displeasure hot.
2 For in me fast thine arrows stick,
thine hand doth press me sore:
3 And in my flesh there is no health,
nor soundness any more.

This grief I have, because thy wrath
is forth against me gone;
And in my bones there is no rest,
for sin that I have done.
4 Because gone up above mine head
my great transgressions be;
And, as a weighty burden, they
too heavy are for me.

5 My wounds do stink, and are corrupt;
my folly makes it so.
6 I troubled am, and much bow'd down;
all day I mourning go.
7 For a disease that loathsome is
so fills my loins with pain,
That in my weak and weary flesh
no soundness doth remain.

8 So feeble and infirm am I,
and broken am so sore,
That, through disquiet of my heart,
I have been made to roar.
9 O Lord, all that I do desire
is still before thine eye;
And of my heart the secret groans
not hidden are from thee.

10 My heart doth pant incessantly
my strength doth quite decay;
As for mine eyes, their wonted light
is from me gone away.
11 My lovers and my friends do stand
at distance from my sore;
And those do stand aloof that were
kinsmen and kind before.

12 Yea, they that seek my life lay snares:
who seek to do me wrong
Speak things mischievous, and deceits
imagine all day long.
13 But, as one deaf, that heareth not,
I suffer'd all to pass;
I as a dumb man did become,
whose mouth not open'd was:

14 As one that hears not, in whose mouth
are no reproofs at all.
15 For, Lord, I hope in thee; my God,
thou'lt hear me when I call.
16 For I said, Hear me, lest they should
rejoice o'er me with pride;
And o'er me magnify themselves,
when as my foot doth slide.

17 For I am near to halt, my grief
is still before mine eye:
18 For I'll declare my sin, and grieve
for mine iniquity.
19 But yet mine en'mies lively are,
and strong are they beside;
And they that hate me wrongfully
are greatly multiply'd.

20 And they for good that render ill,
as en'mies me withstood;

Yea, ev'n for this, because that I
do follow what is good.
21 Forsake me not, O Lord; my God,
far from me never be.
22 O Lord, thou my salvation art,
haste to give help to me.

PSALM 39.

1 I SAID, I will look to my ways,
lest with my tongue I sin:
In sight of wicked men my mouth
with bridle I'll keep in.
2 With silence I as dumb became,
I did myself restrain
From speaking good; but then the
increased was my pain. [more

3 My heart within me waxed hot;
and, while I musing was,
The fire did burn; and from my tongue
these words I did let pass:
4 Mine end, and measure of my days,
O Lord, unto me show
What is the same; that I thereby
my frailty well may know.

5 Lo, thou my days an handbreadth
mine age is in thine eye [mad'st;
As nothing: sure each man at best
is wholly vanity.
6 Sure each man walks in a vain show;
they vex themselves in vain:
He heaps up wealth, and doth not know
to whom it shall pertain.

7 And now, O Lord, what wait I for?
my hope is fix'd on thee.
8 Free me from all my trespasses,
the fool's scorn make not me.
9 Dumb was I, op'ning not my mouth,
because this work was thine.
10 Thy stroke take from me; by the blow
of thine hand I do pine.

11 When with rebukes thou dost correct
man for iniquity,
Thou wastes his beauty like a moth:
sure each man's vanity.
12 Attend my cry, Lord, at my tears
and pray'rs not silent be:
I sojourn as my fathers all,
and stranger am with thee.

13 O spare thou me, that I my strength
recover may again,
Before from hence I do depart,
and here no more remain.

PSALM 40.

1 I WAITED for the Lord my God,
and patiently did bear:
At length to me he did incline
my voice and cry to hear.
2 He took me from a fearful pit,
and from the miry clay,
And on a rock he set my feet,
establishing my way.

3 He put a new song in my mouth,
our God to magnify:
Many shall see it, and shall fear,
and on the Lord rely.
4 O blessed is the man whose trust
upon the Lord relies;
Respecting not the proud, nor such
as turn aside to lies.

5 O Lord my God, full many are
the wonders thou hast done;
Thy gracious thoughts to us-ward far
above all thoughts are gone:
In order none can reckon them
to thee: if them declare,
And speak of them I would, they more
than can be number'd are.

6 No sacrifice nor offering
didst thou at all desire;
Mine ears thou bor'd: sin-off'ring thou
and burnt didst not require:
7 Then to the Lord these were my words,
I come, behold and see;
Within the volume of the book
it written is of me:

8 To do thy will I take delight,
O thou my God that art;
Yea, that most holy law of thine
I have within my heart.
9 Within the congregation great
I righteousness did preach:
Lo, thou dost know, O Lord, that I
refrained not my speech.

10 I never did within my heart
conceal thy righteousness;
I thy salvation have declar'd,
and shown thy faithfulness:
Thy kindness, which most loving is,
concealed have not I,
Nor from the congregation great
have hid thy verity.

11 Thy tender mercies, Lord, from me
O do thou not restrain;
Thy loving-kindness, and thy truth,
let them me still maintain.
12 For ills past reck'ning compass me,
and mine iniquities
Such hold upon me taken have,
I cannot lift mine eyes:

They more than hairs are on mine head,
thence is my heart dismay'd.
13 Be pleased, Lord, to rescue me;
Lord, hasten to mine aid.
14 Sham'd and confounded be they all
that seek my soul to kill;
Yea, let them backward driven be,
and sham'd, that wish me ill.

15 For a reward of this their shame
confounded let them be,

That in this manner scoffing say,
Aha, aha! to me.
16 In thee let all be glad, and joy,
who seeking thee abide;
Who thy salvation love, say still,
The Lord be magnify'd.

17 I'm poor and needy, yet the Lord
of me a care doth take:
Thou art my help and saviour,
my God, no tarrying make.

PSALM 41.

1 BLESSED is he that wisely doth
the poor man's case consider;
For when the time of trouble is,
the Lord will him deliver.
2 God will him keep, yea, save alive;
on earth he bless'd shall live;
And to his enemies' desire
thou wilt him not up give.

3 God will give strength when he on bed
of languishing doth mourn;
And in his sickness sore, O Lord,
thou all his bed wilt turn.
4 I said, O Lord, do thou extend
thy mercy unto me;
O do thou heal my soul; for why?
I have offended thee.

5 Those that to me are enemies,
of me do evil say,
When shall he die, that so his name
may perish quite away?
6 To see me if he comes, he speaks
vain words: but then his heart
Heaps mischief to it, which he tells,
when forth he doth depart.

7 My haters jointly whispering,
'gainst me my hurt devise.
8 Mischief, say they, cleaves fast to him;
he li'th, and shall not rise.
9 Yea, ev'n mine own familiar friend,
on whom I did rely,
Who ate my bread, ev'n he his heel
against me lifted high.

10 But, Lord, be merciful to me,
and up again me raise,
That I may justly them requite
according to their ways.
11 By this I know that certainly
I favour'd am by thee;
Because my hateful enemy
triumphs not over me.

12 But as for me, thou me uphold'st
in mine integrity;
And me before thy countenance
thou sett'st continually.
13 The Lord, the God of Israel,
be bless'd for ever then,
From age to age eternally.
Amen, yea, and amen.

PSALM 42.

1 LIKE as the hart for water-brooks
in thirst doth pant and bray;
So pants my longing soul, O God,
that come to thee I may.
2 My soul for God, the living God,
doth thirst: when shall I near
Unto thy countenance approach,
and in God's sight appear?

3 My tears have unto me been meat,
both in the night and day,
While unto me continually,
Where is thy God? they say.
4 My soul is poured out in me,
when this I think upon;
Because that with the multitude
I heretofore had gone:

With them into God's house I went,
with voice of joy and praise;
Yea, with the multitude that kept
the solemn holy days.
5 O why art thou cast down, my soul?
why in me so dismay'd?
Trust God, for I shall praise him yet,
his count'nance is mine aid.

6 My God, my soul's cast down in me;
thee therefore mind I will
From Jordan's land, the Hermonites,
and ev'n from Mizar hill.
7 At the noise of thy water-spouts
deep unto deep doth call;
Thy breaking waves pass over me,
yea, and thy billows all.

8 His loving-kindness yet the Lord
command will in the day,
His song's with me by night; to God,
by whom I live, I'll pray:
9 And I will say to God my rock,
Why me forgett'st thou so?
Why, for my foes' oppression,
thus mourning do I go?

10 'Tis as a sword within my bones,
when my foes me upbraid;
Ev'n when by them, Where is thy God?
'tis daily to me said.
11 O why art thou cast down, my soul?
why, thus with grief opprest,
Art thou disquieted in me?
in God still hope and rest:

For yet I know I shall him praise,
who graciously to me
The health is of my countenance,
yea, mine own God is he.

PSALM 43.

1 JUDGE me, O God, and plead my [cause
against th' ungodly nation;
From the unjust and crafty man,
O be thou my salvation.
2 For thou the God art of my strength;
why thrusts thou me thee fro'?

For th' enemy's oppression
why do I mourning go?
3 O send thy light forth and thy truth;
let them be guides to me,
And bring me to thine holy hill,
ev'n where thy dwellings be.
4 Then will I to God's altar go,
to God my chiefest joy:
Yea, God, my God, thy name to praise
my harp I will employ.
5 Why art thou then cast down, my soul?
what should discourage thee?
And why with vexing thoughts art thou
disquieted in me?
Still trust in God; for him to praise
good cause I yet shall have:
He of my count'nance is the health,
my God that doth me save.

PSALM 44.

1 O GOD, we with our ears have heard,
our fathers have us told,
What works thou in their days hadst done,
ev'n in the days of old.
2 Thy hand did drive the heathen out,
and plant them in their place;
Thou didst afflict the nations,
but them thou didst increase.
3 For neither got their sword the land,
nor did their arm them save;
But thy right hand, arm, countenance;
for thou them favour gave.
4 Thou art my King: for Jacob, Lord,
deliv'rances command.
5 Through thee we shall push down our foes,
that do against us stand:
We, through thy name, shall tread down those
that ris'n against us have.
6 For in my bow I shall not trust,
nor shall my sword me save.
7 But from our foes thou hast us sav'd,
our haters put to shame.
8 In God we all the day do boast,
and ever praise thy name.
9 But now we are cast off by thee,
and us thou putt'st to shame:
And when our armies do go forth,
thou go'st not with the same.
10 Thou mak'st us from the enemy,
faint-hearted, to turn back;
And they who hate us for themselves
our spoils away do take.
11 Like sheep for meat thou gavest us;
'mong heathen cast we be.
12 Thou didst for nought thy people sell;
their price enrich'd not thee.
13 Thou mak'st us a reproach to be
unto our neighbours near;
Derision and a scorn to them
that round about us are.
14 A by-word also thou dost us
among the heathen make;
The people, in contempt and spite
at us their heads do shake.
15 Before me my confusion
continually abides;
And of my bashful countenance
the shame me ever hides:
16 For voice of him that doth reproach,
and speaketh blasphemy;
By reason of th' avenging foe,
and cruel enemy.
17 All this is come on us, yet we
have not forgotten thee;
Nor falsely in thy covenant
behav'd ourselves have we.
18 Back from thy way our heart not turn'd;
our steps no straying made;
19 Though us thou brak'st in dragons' place,
and cover'dst with death's shade.
20 If we God's name forgot, or stretch'd
to a strange god our hands,
21 Shall not God search this out? for he
heart's secrets understands.
22 Yea, for thy sake we're kill'd all day,
counted as slaughter-sheep.
23 Rise, Lord, cast us not ever off;
awake, why dost thou sleep?
24 O wherefore hidest thou thy face?
forgett'st our cause distress'd,
25 And our oppression? For our soul
is to the dust down press'd:
Our belly also on the earth
fast cleaving, hold doth take.
26 Rise for our help, and us redeem,
ev'n for thy mercies' sake.

PSALM 45.

1 MY heart brings forth a goodly thing;
my words that I indite
Concern the King: my tongue's a pen
of one that swift doth write.
2 Thou fairer art than sons of men:
into thy lips is store
Of grace infus'd; God therefore thee
hath bless'd for evermore.
3 O thou that art the mighty One,
thy sword gird on thy thigh;
Ev'n with thy glory excellent,
and with thy majesty.
4 For meekness, truth, and righteousness,
in state ride prosp'rously:
And thy right hand shall thee instruct
in things that fearful be.
5 Thine arrows sharply pierce the heart
of th' en'mies of the King;
And under thy subjection
the people down do bring.

6 For ever and for ever is,
O God, thy throne of might;
The sceptre of thy kingdom is
a sceptre that is right.

7 Thou lovest right, and hatest ill;
for God, thy God, most high,
Above thy fellows hath with th' oil
of joy anointed thee.
8 Of aloes, myrrh, and cassia,
a smell thy garments had,
Out of the iv'ry palaces,
whereby they made thee glad.

9 Among thy women honourable
kings' daughters were at hand:
Upon thy right hand did the queen
in gold of Ophir stand.
10 O daughter, hearken and regard,
and do thine ear incline;
Likewise forget thy father's house,
and people that are thine.

11 Then of the King desir'd shall be
thy beauty veh'mently:
Because he is thy Lord, do thou
him worship rev'rently.
12 The daughter there of Tyre shall be
with gifts and off'rings great:
Those of the people that are rich
thy favour shall entreat.

13 Behold, the daughter of the King
all glorious is within;
And with embroideries of gold
her garments wrought have been.
14 She shall be brought unto the King
in robes with needle wrought;
Her fellow-virgins following
shall unto thee be brought.

15 They shall be brought with gladness
and mirth on ev'ry side, [great,
Into the palace of the King,
and there they shall abide.
16 Instead of those thy fathers dear,
thy children thou may'st take,
And in all places of the earth
them noble princes make.

17 Thy name remember'd I will make
through ages all to be:
The people therefore evermore
shall praises give to thee.

Another of the same.

1 MY heart inditing is
good matter in a song:
I speak the things that I have made,
which to the King belong:
My tongue shall be as quick,
his honour to indite,
As is the pen of any scribe
that useth fast to write.

2 Thou'rt fairest of all men;
grace in thy lips doth flow:
And therefore blessings evermore
on thee doth God bestow.
3 Thy sword gird on thy thigh,
thou that art most of might:
Appear in dreadful majesty,
and in thy glory bright.

4 For meekness, truth, and right,
ride prosp'rously in state;
And thy right hand shall teach to thee
things terrible and great.
5 Thy shafts shall pierce their hearts
that foes are to the King;
Whereby into subjection
the people thou shalt bring.

6 Thy royal seat, O Lord,
for ever shall remain:
The sceptre of thy kingdom doth
all righteousness maintain.
7 Thou lov'st right, and hat'st ill;
for God, thy God, most high,
Above thy fellows hath with th' oil
of joy anointed thee.

8 Of myrrh and spices sweet
a smell thy garments had,
Out of the iv'ry palaces,
whereby they made thee glad.
9 And in thy glorious train
kings' daughters waiting stand;
And thy fair queen, in Ophir gold,
doth stand at thy right hand.

10 O daughter, take good heed,
incline, and give good ear;
Thou must forget thy kindred all,
and father's house most dear.
11 Thy beauty to the King
shall then delightful be:
And do thou humbly worship him,
because thy Lord is he.

12 The daughter then of Tyre
there with a gift shall be,
And all the wealthy of the land
shall make their suit to thee.
13 The daughter of the King
all glorious is within;
And with embroideries of gold
her garments wrought have been.

14 She cometh to the King
in robes with needle wrought;
The virgins that do follow her
shall unto thee be brought.
15 They shall be brought with joy,
and mirth on ev'ry side,
Into the palace of the King,
and there they shall abide.

16 And in thy fathers' stead,
thy children thou may'st take,
And in all places of the earth
them noble princes make.
17 I will shew forth thy name
to generations all:

Therefore the people evermore
to thee give praises shall.

PSALM 46.

1 GOD is our refuge and our strength,
in straits a present aid;
2 Therefore, although the earth remove,
we will not be afraid:
Though hills amidst the seas be cast;
3 Though waters roaring make,
And troubled be; yea, though the hills
by swelling seas do shake.

4 A river is, whose streams do glad
the city of our God;
The holy place, wherein the Lord
most high hath his abode.
5 God in the midst of her doth dwell;
nothing shall her remove:
The Lord to her an helper will,
and that right early, prove.

6 The heathen rag'd tumultuously,
the kingdoms moved were:
The Lord God uttered his voice,
the earth did melt for fear.
7 The Lord of hosts upon our side
doth constantly remain:
The God of Jacob's our refuge,
us safely to maintain.

8 Come, and behold what wondrous works
have by the Lord been wrought;
Come, see what desolations
he on the earth hath brought.
9 Unto the ends of all the earth
wars into peace he turns:
The bow he breaks, the spear he cuts,
in fire the chariot burns.

10 Be still, and know that I am God;
among the heathen I
Will be exalted; I on earth
will be exalted high.
11 Our God, who is the Lord of hosts,
is still upon our side;
The God of Jacob our refuge
for ever will abide.

PSALM 47.

1 ALL people, clap your hands; to God
with voice of triumph shout:
2 For dreadful is the Lord most high,
great King the earth throughout.
3 The heathen people under us
he surely shall subdue;
And he shall make the nations
under our feet to bow.

4 The lot of our inheritance
chuse out for us shall he,
Of Jacob, whom he loved well,
ev'n the excellency.
5 God is with shouts gone up, the Lord
with trumpets sounding high

6 Sing praise to God, sing praise, sing praise,
praise to our King sing ye.
7 For God is King of all the earth;
with knowledge praise express.
8 God rules the nations: God sits on
his throne of holiness.
9 The princes of the people are
assembled willingly;
Ev'n of the God of Abraham
they who the people be.

For why? the shields that do defend
the earth are only his:
They to the Lord belong; yea, he
exalted greatly is.

PSALM 48.

1 GREAT is the Lord, and greatly he
is to be praised still,
Within the city of our God,
upon his holy hill.
2 Mount Sion stands most beautiful,
the joy of all the land;
The city of the mighty King
on her north side doth stand.

3 The Lord within her palaces
is for a refuge known.
4 For, lo, the kings that gather'd were
together, by have gone.
5 But when they did behold the same,
they, wond'ring, would not stay;
But, being troubled at the sight,
they thence did haste away.

6 Great terror there took hold on them,
they were possess'd with fear;
Their grief came like a woman's pain,
when she a child doth bear.
7 Thou Tarshish ships with east wind
8 As we have heard it told, [break'st:
So, in the city of the Lord,
our eyes did it behold;

In our God's city, which his hand
for ever stablish will.
9 We of thy loving-kindness thought,
Lord, in thy temple still.
10 O Lord, according to thy name,
through all the earth's thy praise;
And thy right hand, O Lord, is full
of righteousness always.

11 Because thy judgments are made
let Sion mount rejoice; [known,
Of Judah let the daughters all
send forth a cheerful voice.
12 Walk about Sion, and go round;
the high tow'rs thereof tell:
13 Consider ye her palaces,
and mark her bulwarks well;

That ye may tell posterity.
14 For this God doth abide
Our God for evermore; he will
ev'n unto death us guide.

PSALM 49.

1 HEAR this, all people, and give ear,
all in the world that dwell;
2 Both low and high, both rich and poor.
3 My mouth shall wisdom tell:
My heart shall knowledge meditate.
4 I will incline mine ear
To parables, and on the harp
my sayings dark declare.

5 Amidst those days that evil be,
why should I, fearing, doubt?
When of my heels th' iniquity
shall compass me about.
6 Whoe'er they be that in their wealth
their confidence do pitch,
And boast themselves, because they are
become exceeding rich:

7 Yet none of these his brother can
redeem by any way;
Nor can he unto God for him
sufficient ransom pay,
8 (Their soul's redemption precious is,
and it can never be,)
9 That still he should for ever live,
and not corruption see.

10 For why? he seeth that wise men die,
and brutish fools also
Do perish; and their wealth, when
to others they let go. [dead,
11 Their inward thought is, that their
and dwelling-places shall [house
Stand through all ages; they their
by their own names do call. [lands

12 But yet in honour shall not man
abide continually;
But passing hence, may be compar'd
unto the beasts that die.
13 Thus brutish folly plainly is
their wisdom and their way;
Yet their posterity approve
what they do fondly say.

14 Like sheep they in the grave are laid,
and death shall them devour;
And in the morning upright men
shall over them have pow'r:
Their beauty from their dwelling shall
consume within the grave.
15 But from hell's hand God will me free,
for he shall me receive.

16 Be thou not then afraid when one
enriched thou dost see,
Nor when the glory of his house
advanced is on high:
17 For he shall carry nothing hence
when death his days doth end;
Nor shall his glory after him
into the grave descend.

18 Although he his own soul did bless
whilst he on earth did live;
(And when thou to thyself dost well,
men will thee praises give;)
19 He to his fathers' race shall go,
they never shall see light.
20 Man honour'd wanting knowledge is
like beasts that perish quite.

PSALM 50.

1 THE mighty God, the Lord,
hath spoken, and did call
The earth, from rising of the sun,
to where he hath his fall.
2 From out of Sion hill,
which of excellency
And beauty the perfection is,
God shined gloriously.

3 Our God shall surely come,
keep silence shall not he:
Before him fire shall waste, great
shall round about him be. [storms
4 Unto the heavens clear
he from above shall call,
And to the earth likewise, that he
may judge his people all.

5 Together let my saints
unto me gather'd be,
Those that by sacrifice have made
a covenant with me.
6 And then the heavens shall
his righteousness declare:
Because the Lord himself is he
by whom men judged are.

7 My people Isr'el hear,
speak will I from on high,
Against thee I will testify;
God, ev'n thy God, am I.
8 I for thy sacrifice
no blame will on thee lay,
Nor for burnt-off'rings, which to me
thou offer'dst ev'ry day.

9 I'll take no calf nor goats
from house or fold of thine:
10 For beasts of forests, cattle all
on thousand hills, are mine.
11 The fowls on mountains high
are all to me well known;
Wild beasts which in the fields do lie,
ev'n they are all mine own.

12 Then, if I hungry were,
I would not tell it thee:
Because the world, and fulness all
thereof, belongs to me.
13 Will I eat flesh of bulls?
or goats' blood drink will I?
14 Thanks offer thou to God, and pay
thy vows to the most High.

15 And call upon me when
in trouble thou shalt be;
I will deliver thee, and thou
my name shalt glorify.

16 But to the wicked man
God saith, My laws and truth
Should'st thou declare? how dar'st thou take
my cov'nant in thy mouth?

17 Sith thou instruction hat'st,
which should thy ways direct;
And sith my words behind thy back
thou cast'st, and dost reject.
18 When thou a thief didst see,
with him thou didst consent;
And with the vile adulterers
partaker on thou went.

19 Thou giv'st thy mouth to ill,
thy tongue deceit doth frame;
20 Thou sitt'st, and 'gainst thy brother speak'st,
thy mother's son dost shame.
21 Because I silence kept,
while thou these things hast wrought;
That I was altogether like
thyself, hath been thy thought;

Yet I will thee reprove,
and set before thine eyes,
In order ranked, thy misdeeds,
and thine iniquities.
22 Now, ye that God forget,
this carefully consider;
Lest I in pieces tear you all,
and none can you deliver.

23 Whoso doth offer praise
me glorifies; and I
Will shew him God's salvation,
that orders right his way.

Another of the same.

1 THE mighty God, the Lord, hath spoke,
and call'd the earth upon,
Ev'n from the rising of the sun
unto his going down.
2 From out of Sion, his own hill,
where the perfection high
Of beauty is, from thence the Lord
hath shined gloriously.

3 Our God shall come, and shall no more
be silent, but speak out:
Before him fire shall waste, great storms
shall compass him about.
4 He to the heavens from above,
and to the earth below,
Shall call, that he his judgments may
before his people show.

5 Let all my saints together be
unto me gathered;
Those that by sacrifice with me
a covenant have made.
6 And then the heavens shall declare
his righteousness abroad:
Because the Lord himself doth come;
none else is judge but God.

7 Hear, O my people, and I'll speak;
O Israel by name,
Against thee I will testify;
God, ev'n thy God, I am.
8 I for thy sacrifices few
reprove thee never will,
Nor for burnt-off'rings to have been
before me offer'd still.

9 I'll take no bullock nor he-goats
from house nor folds of thine:
10 For beasts of forests, cattle all
on thousand hills, are mine.
11 The fowls are all to me well known
that mountains high do yield;
And I do challenge as mine own
the wild beasts of the field.

12 If I were hungry, I would not
to thee for need complain;
For earth, and all its fulness, doth
to me of right pertain.
13 That I to eat the flesh of bulls
take pleasure dost thou think?
Or that I need, to quench my thirst,
the blood of goats to drink?

14 Nay, rather unto me, thy God,
thanksgiving offer thou:
To the most High perform thy word,
and fully pay thy vow:
15 And in the day of trouble great
see that thou call on me;
I will deliver thee, and thou
my name shalt glorify.

16 But God unto the wicked saith,
Why should'st thou mention make
Of my commands? how dar'st thou in
thy mouth my cov'nant take?
17 Sith it is so that thou dost hate
all good instruction;
And sith thou cast'st behind thy back,
and slight'st my words each one.

18 When thou a thief didst see, then straight
thou join'dst with him in sin,
And with the vile adulterers
thou hast partaker been.
19 Thy mouth to evil thou dost give,
thy tongue deceit doth frame.
20 Thou sitt'st, and 'gainst thy brother speak'st,
thy mother's son to shame.

21 These things thou wickedly hast done,
and I have silent been:
Thou thought'st that I was like thyself,
and did approve thy sin:
But I will sharply thee reprove,
and I will order right
Thy sins and thy transgressions
in presence of thy sight.
22 Consider this, and be afraid,
ye that forget the Lord,

Lest I in pieces tear you all,
when none can help afford.
23 Who off'reth praise me glorifies:
I will shew God's salvation
To him that ordereth aright
his life and conversation.

PSALM 51.

1 AFTER thy loving-kindness, Lord,
have mercy upon me:
For thy compassions great, blot out
all mine iniquity.
2 Me cleanse from sin, and throughly
from mine iniquity: [wash
3 For my transgressions I confess;
my sin I ever see.

4 'Gainst thee, thee only, have I sinn'd,
in thy sight done this ill;
That when thou speak'st thou may'st
and clear in judging still. [be just,
5 Behold, I in iniquity
was form'd the womb within;
My mother also me conceiv'd
in guiltiness and sin.

6 Behold, thou in the inward parts
with truth delighted art;
And wisdom thou shalt make me know
within the hidden part.
7 Do thou with hyssop sprinkle me,
I shall be cleansed so;
Yea, wash thou me, and then I shall
be whiter than the snow.

8 Of gladness and of joyfulness
make me to hear the voice;
That so these very bones which thou
hast broken may rejoice.
9 All mine iniquities blot out,
thy face hide from my sin.
10 Create a clean heart, Lord, renew
a right sp'rit me within.

11 Cast me not from thy sight, nor take
thy Holy Sp'rit away.
12 Restore me thy salvation's joy;
with thy free Sp'rit me stay.
13 Then will I teach thy ways unto
those that transgressors be;
And those that sinners are shall then
be turned unto thee.

14 O God, of my salvation God,
me from blood-guiltiness
Set free; then shall my tongue aloud
sing of thy righteousness.
15 My closed lips, O Lord, by thee
let them be opened;
Then shall thy praises by my mouth
abroad be published.

16 For thou desir'st not sacrifice,
else would I give it thee;
Nor wilt thou with burnt-offering
at all delighted be.

17 A broken spirit is to God
a pleasing sacrifice:
A broken and a contrite heart,
Lord, thou wilt not despise.

18 Shew kindness, and do good, O Lord,
to Sion, thine own hill:
The walls of thy Jerusalem
build up of thy good will.
19 Then righteous off'rings shall thee
please,
and off'rings burnt, which they
With whole burnt-off'rings, and with
shall on thine altar lay. [calves,

PSALM 52.

1 WHY dost thou boast, O mighty
of mischief and of ill? [man,
The goodness of Almighty God
endureth ever still.
2 Thy tongue mischievous calumnies
deviseth subtilely,
Like to a razor sharp to cut,
working deceitfully.

3 Ill more than good, and more than
thou lovest to speak wrong: [truth
4 Thou lovest all-devouring words,
O thou deceitful tongue.
5 So God shall thee destroy for aye,
remove thee, pluck thee out
Quite from thy house, out of the land
of life he shall thee root.

6 The righteous shall it see, and fear,
and laugh at him they shall:
7 Lo, this the man is that did not
make God his strength at all:
But he in his abundant wealth
his confidence did place;
And he took strength unto himself
from his own wickedness.

8 But I am in the house of God
like to an olive green:
My confidence for ever hath
upon God's mercy been.
9 And I for ever will thee praise,
because thou hast done this:
I on thy name will wait; for good
before thy saints it is.

PSALM 53.

1 THAT there is not a God, the fool
doth in his heart conclude:
They are corrupt, their works are vile,
not one of them doth good.
2 The Lord upon the sons of men
from heav'n did cast his eyes,
To see if any one there was
that sought God, and was wise.

3 They altogether filthy are,
they all are backward gone;
And there is none that doeth good,
no, not so much as one.

4 These workers of iniquity,
do they not know at all,
That they my people eat as bread,
and on God do not call?

5 Ev'n there they were afraid, and stood
with trembling, all dismay'd,
Whereas there was no cause at all
why they should be afraid:
For God his bones that thee besieg'd
hath scatter'd all abroad;
Thou hast confounded them, for they
despised are of God.

6 Let Isr'el's help from Sion come:
when back the Lord shall bring
His captives, Jacob shall rejoice,
and Israel shall sing.

PSALM 54.

1 SAVE me, O God, by thy great name,
and judge me by thy strength:
2 My prayer hear, O God; give ear
unto my words at length.
3 For they that strangers are to me
do up against me rise;
Oppressors seek my soul, and God
set not before their eyes.

4 The Lord my God my helper is,
lo, therefore I am bold:
He taketh part with ev'ry one
that doth my soul uphold.
5 Unto mine enemies he shall
mischief and ill repay:
O for thy truth's sake cut them off,
and sweep them clean away.

6 I will a sacrifice to thee
give with free willingness;
Thy name, O Lord, because 'tis good,
with praise I will confess.
7 For he hath me delivered
from all adversities;
And his desire mine eye hath seen
upon mine enemies.

PSALM 55..

1 LORD, hear my pray'r, hide not thyself
from my entreating voice:
2 Attend and hear me; in my plaint
I mourn and make a noise.
3 Because of th' en'my's voice, and for
lewd men's oppression great:
On me they cast iniquity,
and they in wrath me hate.

4 Sore pain'd within me is my heart:
death's terrors on me fall.
5 On me comes trembling, fear and dread
o'erwhelmed me withal.
6 O that I, like a dove, had wings,
said I then would I flee
Far hence, that I might find a place
where I in rest might be.

7 Lo, then far off I wander would,
and in the desert stay;
8 From windy storm and tempest I
would haste to 'scape away.
9 O Lord, on them destruction bring,
and do their tongues divide;
For in the city violence
and strife I have espy'd.

10 They day and night upon the walls
do go about it round:
There mischief is, and sorrow there
in midst of it is found.
11 Abundant wickedness there is
within her inward part;
And from her streets deceitfulness
and guile do not depart.

12 He was no foe that me reproach'd,
then that endure I could;
Nor hater that did 'gainst me boast,
from him me hide I would.
13 But thou, man, who mine equal, guide,
and mine acquaintance wast:
14 We join'd sweet counsels, to God's
in company we past. [house

15 Let death upon them seize, and down
let them go quick to hell;
For wickedness doth much abound
among them where they dwell.
16 I'll call on God: God will me save.
17 I'll pray, and make a noise
At ev'ning, morning, and at noon;
and he shall hear my voice.

18 He hath my soul delivered,
that it in peace might be
From battle that against me was;
for many were with me.
19 The Lord shall hear, and them afflict,
of old who hath abode:
Because they never changes have,
therefore they fear not God.

20 'Gainst those that were at peace with
he hath put forth his hand: [him
The covenant that he had made,
by breaking he profan'd.
21 More smooth than butter were his
while in his heart was war; [words,
His speeches were more soft than oil,
and yet drawn swords they are.

22 Cast thou thy burden on the Lord,
and he shall thee sustain;
Yea, he shall cause the righteous man
unmoved to remain.
23 But thou, O Lord my God, those men
in justice shalt o'erthrow,
And in destruction's dungeon dark
at last shalt lay them low:

The bloody and deceitful men
shall not live half their days:
But upon thee with confidence
I will depend always.

PSALM 56.

1 SHEW mercy, Lord, to me, for man
would swallow me outright;
He me oppresseth, while he doth
against me daily fight.
2 They daily would me swallow up
that hate me spitefully;
For they be many that do fight
against me, O most High.

3 When I'm afraid I'll trust in thee:
4 In God I'll praise his word;
I will not fear what flesh can do,
my trust is in the Lord.
5 Each day they wrest my words; their thoughts
'gainst me are all for ill.
6 They meet, they lurk, they mark my
waiting my soul to kill. [steps,

7 But shall they by iniquity
escape thy judgments so?
O God, with indignation down
do thou the people throw.
8 My wand'rings all what they have been
thou know'st, their number took;
Into thy bottle put my tears:
are they not in thy book?

9 My foes shall, when I cry, turn back;
I know't, God is for me.
10 In God his word I'll praise; his word
in God shall praised be.
11 In God I trust; I will not fear
what man can do to me.
12 Thy vows upon me are, O God:
I'll render praise to thee.

13 Wilt thou not, who from death me
my feet from falls keep free, [sav'd,
To walk before God in the light
of those that living be?

PSALM 57.

1 BE merciful to me, O God;
thy mercy unto me
Do thou extend; because my soul
doth put her trust in thee:
Yea, in the shadow of thy wings
my refuge I will place,
Until these sad calamities
do wholly overpass.

2 My cry I will cause to ascend
unto the Lord most high;
To God, who doth all things for me
perform most perfectly.
3 From heav'n he shall send down, and
from his reproach defend [me
That would devour me: God his truth
and mercy forth shall send.

4 My soul among fierce lions is,
I firebrands live among,
Men's sons, whose teeth are spears
and darts,
a sharp sword is their tongue.
5 Be thou exalted very high
above the heav'ns, O God;
Let thou thy glory be advanc'd
o'er all the earth abroad.

6 My soul's bow'd down; for they a net
have laid, my steps to snare:
Into the pit which they have digg'd
for me, they fallen are.
7 My heart is fix'd, my heart is fix'd,
O God; I'll sing and praise.
8 My glory wake; wake psalt'ry, harp;
myself I'll early raise.

9 I'll praise thee 'mong the people, Lord;
'mong nations sing will I:
10 For great to heav'n thy mercy is,
thy truth is to the sky.
11 O Lord, exalted be thy name
above the heav'ns to stand:
Do thou thy glory far advance
above both sea and land.

PSALM 58.

1 DO ye, O congregation,
indeed speak righteousness?
O ye that are the sons of men,
judge ye with uprightness?
2 Yea, ev'n within your very hearts
ye wickedness have done;
And ye the vi'lence of your hands
do weigh the earth upon.

3 The wicked men estranged are,
ev'n from the very womb;
They, speaking lies, do stray as soon
as to the world they come.
4 Unto a serpent's poison like
their poison doth appear;
Yea, they are like the adder deaf,
that closely stops her ear;

5 That so she may not hear the voice
of one that charm her would,
No, not though he most cunning were,
and charm most wisely could.
6 Their teeth, O God, within their mouth
break thou in pieces small;
The great teeth break thou out, O Lord,
of these young lions all.

7 Let them like waters melt away,
which downward still do flow:
In pieces cut his arrows all,
when he shall bend his bow.
8 Like to a snail that melts away,
let each of them be gone:
Like woman's birth untimely, that
they never see the sun.

9 He shall them take away before
your pots the thorns can find,
Both living, and in fury great,
as with a stormy wind.

10 The righteous, when he vengeance sees,
he shall be joyful then;
The righteous one shall wash his feet
in blood of wicked men.

11 So men shall say, The righteous man
reward shall never miss:
And verily upon the earth
a God to judge there is.

PSALM 59.

1 MY God, deliver me from those
that are mine enemies;
And do thou me defend from those
that up against me rise.
2 Do thou deliver me from them
that work iniquity;
And give me safety from the men
of bloody cruelty.

3 For, lo, they for my soul lay wait:
the mighty do combine
Against me, Lord; not for my fault,
nor any sin of mine.
4 They run, and, without fault in me,
themselves do ready make:
Awake to meet me with thy help;
and do thou notice take.

5 Awake therefore, Lord God of hosts,
thou God of Israel,
To visit heathen all: spare none
that wickedly rebel.
6 At ev'ning they go to and fro;
they make great noise and sound,
Like to a dog, and often walk
about the city round.

7 Behold, they belch out with their mouth,
and in their lips are swords:
For they do say thus, Who is he
that now doth hear our words?
8 But thou, O Lord, shalt laugh at them,
and all the heathen mock.
9 While he's in pow'r I'll wait on thee;
for God is my high rock.

10 He of my mercy that is God
betimes shall me prevent;
Upon mine en'mies God shall let
me see mine heart's content.
11 Them slay not, lest my folk forget;
but scatter them abroad
By thy strong pow'r; and bring them down,
O thou our shield and God.

12 For their mouth's sin, and for the words
that from their lips do fly,
Let them be taken in their pride;
because they curse and lie.
13 In wrath consume them, them consume,
that so they may not be:
And that in Jacob God doth rule
to th' earth's ends let them see.

14 At ev'ning let thou them return,
making great noise and sound,
Like to a dog, and often walk
about the city round.
15 And let them wander up and down,
in seeking food to eat;
And let them grudge when they shall not
be satisfy'd with meat.

16 But of thy pow'r I'll sing aloud;
at morn thy mercy praise:
For thou to me my refuge wast,
and tow'r, in troublous days.
17 O God, thou art my strength, I will
sing praises unto thee;
For God is my defence, a God
of mercy unto me.

PSALM 60.

1 O LORD, thou hast rejected us,
and scatter'd us abroad;
Thou justly hast displeased been;
return to us, O God.
2 The earth to tremble thou hast made;
therein didst breaches make:
Do thou thereof the breaches heal,
because the land doth shake.

3 Unto thy people thou hard things
hast shew'd, and on them sent;
And thou hast caused us to drink
wine of astonishment.
4 And yet a banner thou hast giv'n
to them who thee do fear;
That it by them, because of truth,
displayed may appear.

5 That thy beloved people may
deliver'd be from thrall,
Save with the pow'r of thy right hand,
and hear me when I call.
6 God in his holiness hath spoke;
herein I will take pleasure:
Shechem I will divide, and forth
will Succoth's valley measure.

7 Gilead I claim as mine by right;
Manasseh mine shall be;
Ephraim is of mine head the strength;
Judah gives laws for me;
8 Moab's my washing-pot; my shoe
I'll over Edom throw;
And over Palestina's land
I will in triumph go.

9 O who is he will bring me to
the city fortify'd?
O who is he that to the land
of Edom will me guide?
10 O God, which hadest us cast off,
this thing wilt thou not do?
Ev'n thou, O God, which didest not
forth with our armies go?

11 Help us from trouble; for the help
is vain which man supplies.

12 Through God we'll do great acts; he shall
tread down our enemies.

PSALM 61.

1 O GOD, give ear unto my cry;
unto my pray'r attend.
2 From th' utmost corner of the land
my cry to thee I'll send.
What time my heart is overwhelm'd,
and in perplexity,
Do thou me lead unto the Rock
that higher is than I.

3 For thou hast for my refuge been
a shelter by thy pow'r;
And for defence against my foes
thou hast been a strong tow'r.
4 Within thy tabernacle I
for ever will abide;
And under covert of thy wings
with confidence me hide.

5 For thou the vows that I did make,
O Lord my God, didst hear:
Thou hast giv'n me the heritage
of those thy name that fear.
6 A life prolong'd for many days
thou to the king shalt give;
Like many generations be
the years which he shall live.

7 He in God's presence his abode
for evermore shall have:
O do thou truth and mercy both
prepare, that may him save.
8 And so will I perpetually
sing praise unto thy name;
That having made my vows, I may
each day perform the same.

PSALM 62.

1 MY soul with expectation
depends on God indeed;
My strength and my salvation doth
from him alone proceed.
2 He only my salvation is,
and my strong rock is he:
He only is my sure defence;
much mov'd I shall not be.

3 How long will ye against a man
plot mischief? ye shall all
Be slain; ye as a tott'ring fence
shall be, and bowing wall.
4 They only plot to cast him down
from his excellency:
They joy in lies; with mouth they bless,
but they curse inwardly.

5 My soul, wait thou with patience
upon thy God alone;
On him dependeth all my hope
and expectation.
6 He only my salvation is,
and my strong rock is he;
He only is my sure defence:
I shall not moved be.

7 In God my glory placed is,
and my salvation sure;
In God the rock is of my strength,
my refuge most secure.
8 Ye people, place your confidence
in him continually;
Before him pour ye out your heart:
God is our refuge high.

9 Surely mean men are vanity,
and great men are a lie;
In balance laid, they wholly are
more light than vanity.
10 Trust ye not in oppression,
in robb'ry be not vain;
On wealth set not your hearts, when as
increased is your gain.

11 God hath it spoken once to me,
yea, this I heard again,
That power to Almighty God
alone doth appertain.
12 Yea, mercy also unto thee
belongs, O Lord, alone:
For thou according to his work
rewardest ev'ry one.

PSALM 63.

1 LORD, thee my God, I'll early seek:
my soul doth thirst for thee;
My flesh longs in a dry parch'd land,
wherein no waters be:
2 That I thy power may behold,
and brightness of thy face,
As I have seen thee heretofore
within thy holy place.

3 Since better is thy love than life,
my lips thee praise shall give.
4 I in thy name will lift my hands,
and bless thee while I live.
5 Ev'n as with marrow and with fat
my soul shall filled be;
Then shall my mouth with joyful lips
sing praises unto thee:

6 When I do thee upon my bed
remember with delight,
And when on thee I meditate
in watches of the night.
7 In shadow of thy wings I'll joy;
for thou mine help hast been.
8 My soul thee follows hard; and me
thy right hand doth sustain.

9 Who seek my soul to spill shall sink
down to earth's lowest room.
10 They by the sword shall be cut off,
and foxes' prey become.
11 Yet shall the king in God rejoice,
and each one glory shall
That swear by him: but stopp'd shall be
the mouth of liars all.

PSALM 64.

1 WHEN I to thee my prayer make,
Lord, to my voice give ear;
My life save from the enemy,
of whom I stand in fear.
2 Me from their secret counsel hide
who do live wickedly;
From insurrection of those men
that work iniquity:
3 Who do their tongues with malice whet,
and make them cut like swords;
In whose bent bows are arrows set,
ev'n sharp and bitter words:
4 That they may at the perfect man
in secret aim their shot;
Yea, suddenly they dare at him
to shoot, and fear it not.
5 In ill encourage they themselves,
and their snares close do lay:
Together conference they have;
Who shall them see? they say.
6 They have search'd out iniquities,
a perfect search they keep:
Of each of them the inward thought,
and very heart, is deep.
7 God shall an arrow shoot at them,
and wound them suddenly:
8 So their own tongue shall them con-
all who them see shall fly. [found;
9 And on all men a fear shall fall,
God's works they shall declare;
For they shall wisely notice take
what these his doings are.
10 In God the righteous shall rejoice,
and trust upon his might;
Yea, they shall greatly glory all
in heart that are upright.

PSALM 65.

1 PRAISE waits for thee in Sion, Lord:
to thee vows paid shall be.
2 O thou that hearer art of pray'r,
all flesh shall come to thee.
3 Iniquities, I must confess,
prevail against me do:
But as for our transgressions,
them purge away shalt thou.
4 Bless'd is the man whom thou dost
and mak'st approach to thee, [chuse,
That he within thy courts, O Lord,
may still a dweller be:
We surely shall be satisfy'd
with thy abundant grace,
And with the goodness of thy house,
ev'n of thy holy place.
5 O God of our salvation,
thou, in thy righteousness,
By fearful works unto our pray'rs
thine answer dost express:
Therefore the ends of all the earth,
and those afar that be
Upon the sea, their confidence,
O Lord, will place in thee.
6 Who, being girt with pow'r, sets fast
by his great strength the hills.
7 Who noise of seas, noise of their waves,
and people's tumult, stills.
8 Those in the utmost parts that dwell
are at thy signs afraid:
Th' outgoings of the morn and ev'n
by thee are joyful made.
9 The earth thou visit'st, wat'ring it;
thou mak'st it rich to grow
With God's full flood; thou corn pre-
when thou provid'st it so. [par'st,
10 Her rigs thou wat'rest plentcously,
her furrows settelest:
With show'rs thou dost her mollify,
her spring by thee is blest.
11 So thou the year most lib'rally
dost with thy goodness crown;
And all thy paths abundantly
on us drop fatness down.
12 They drop upon the pastures wide,
that do in deserts lie;
The little hills on ev'ry side
rejoice right pleasantly.
13 With flocks the pastures clothed be,
the vales with corn are clad:
And now they shout and sing to thee,
for thou hast made them glad.

PSALM 66.

1 ALL lands to God, in joyful sounds,
aloft your voices raise.
2 Sing forth the honour of his name,
and glorious make his praise.
3 Say unto God, How terrible
in all thy works art thou!
Through thy great pow'r thy foes to
shall be constrain'd to bow. [thee
4 All on the earth shall worship thee,
they shall thy praise proclaim
In songs: they shall sing cheerfully
unto thy holy name.
5 Come, and the works that God hath
with admiration see: [wrought
In's working to the sons of men
most terrible is he.
6 Into dry land the sea he turn'd,
and they a passage had;
Ev'n marching through the flood on
there we in him were glad. [foot,
7 He ruleth ever by his pow'r;
his eyes the nations see:
O let not the rebellious ones
lift up themselves on high.
8 Ye people, bless our God; aloud
the voice speak of his praise:
9 Our soul in life who safe preserves,
our foot from sliding stays.

10 For thou didst prove and try us, Lord,
as men do silver try;
11 Brought'st us into the net, and mad'st
bands on our loins to lie.
12 Thou hast caus'd men ride o'er our
and though that we did pass [heads;
Through fire and water, yet thou
us to a wealthy place. [brought'st
13 I'll bring burnt-off'rings to thy house;
to thee my vows I'll pay,
14 Which my lips utter'd, my mouth
when trouble on me lay. [spake,
15 Burnt-sacrifices of fat rams
with incense I will bring;
Of bullocks and of goats I will
present an offering.
16 All that fear God, come, hear, I'll tell
what he did for my soul.
17 I with my mouth unto him cry'd,
my tongue did him extol.
18 If in my heart I sin regard,
the Lord me will not hear:
19 But surely God me heard, and to
my prayer's voice gave ear.
20 O let the Lord, our gracious God,
for ever blessed be,
Who turned not my pray'r from him,
nor yet his grace from me.

PSALM 67.

1 LORD, bless and pity us,
shine on us with thy face:
2 That th' earth thy way, and nations all
may know thy saving grace.
3 Let people praise thee, Lord;
let people all thee praise.
4 O let the nations be glad,
in songs their voices raise:
Thou'lt justly people judge,
on earth rule nations all.
5 Let people praise thee, Lord; let them
praise thee, both great and small.
6 The earth her fruit shall yield,
our God shall blessing send.
7 God shall us bless; men shall him fear
unto earth's utmost end.

Another of the same.

1 LORD, unto us be merciful,
do thou us also bless;
And graciously cause shine on us
the brightness of thy face:
2 That so thy way upon the earth
to all men may be known;
Also among the nations all
thy saving health be shown.
3 O let the people praise thee, Lord;
let people all thee praise.
4 O let the nations be glad,
and sing for joy always:
For rightly thou shalt people judge,
and nations rule on earth.
5 Let people praise thee, Lord; let all
the folk praise thee with mirth.
6 Then shall the earth yield her increase;
God, our God, bless us shall.
7 God shall us bless; and of the earth
the ends shall fear him all.

PSALM 68.

1 LET God arise, and scattered
let all his en'mies be;
And let all those that do him hate
before his presence flee.
2 As smoke is driv'n, so drive thou them;
as fire melts wax away,
Before God's face let wicked men
so perish and decay.
3 But let the righteous be glad:
let them before God's sight
Be very joyful; yea, let them
rejoice with all their might.
4 To God sing, to his name sing praise;
extol him with your voice,
That rides on heav'n, by his name JAH,
before his face rejoice.
5 Because the Lord a father is
unto the fatherless;
God is the widow's judge, within
his place of holiness.
6 God doth the solitary set
in fam'lies: and from bands
The chain'd doth free; but rebels do
inhabit parched lands.
7 O God, what time thou didst go forth
before thy people's face;
And when through the great wilderness
thy glorious marching was;
8 Then at God's presence shook the earth,
then drops from heaven fell;
This Sinai shook before the Lord,
the God of Israel.
9 O God, thou to thine heritage
didst send a plenteous rain,
Whereby thou, when it weary was,
didst it refresh again.
10 Thy congregation then did make
their habitation there:
Of thine own goodness for the poor,
O God, thou didst prepare.
11 The Lord himself did give the word,
the word abroad did spread;
Great was the company of them
the same who published.
12 Kings of great armies foiled were,
and forc'd to flee away;
And women, who remain'd at home,
did distribute the prey.
13 Though ye have lien among the pots,
like doves ye shall appear,
Whose wings with silver, and with gold
whose feathers cover'd are.

14 When there th' Almighty scatter'd kings,
like Salmon's snow 'twas white.
15 God's hill is like to Bashan hill,
like Bashan hill for height.

16 Why do ye leap, ye mountains high?
this is the hill where God
Desires to dwell; yea, God in it
for aye will make abode.
17 God's chariots twenty thousand are,
thousands of angels strong;
In's holy place God is, as in
mount Sinai, them among.

18 Thou hast, O Lord, most glorious,
ascended up on high;
And in triumph victorious led
captive captivity:
Thou hast received gifts for men,
for such as did rebel;
Yea, ev'n for them, that God the Lord
in midst of them might dwell.

19 Bless'd be the Lord, who is to us
of our salvation God;
Who daily with his benefits
us plenteously doth load.
20 He of salvation is the God,
who is our God most strong;
And unto God the Lord from death
the issues do belong.

21 But surely God shall wound the head
of those that are his foes;
The hairy scalp of him that still
on in his trespass goes.
22 God said, My people I will bring
again from Bashan hill;
Yea, from the sea's devouring depths
them bring again I will;

23 That in the blood of enemies
thy foot imbru'd may be,
And of thy dogs dipp'd in the same
the tongues thou mayest see.
24 Thy goings they have seen, O God;
the steps of majesty
Of my God, and my mighty King,
within the sanctuary.

25 Before went singers, players next
on instruments took way;
And them among the damsels were
that did on timbrels play.
26 Within the congregations
bless God with one accord:
From Isr'el's fountain do ye bless
and praise the mighty Lord.

27 With their prince, little Benjamin,
princes and council there
Of Judah were, there Zabulon's
and Napht'li's princes were.
28 Thy God commands thy strength;
make strong
what thou wrought'st for us, Lord.
29 For thy house at Jerusalem
kings shall thee gifts afford.

30 The spearmen's host, the multitude
of bulls, which fiercely look,
Those calves which people have forth
O Lord our God, rebuke, [sent,
Till ev'ry one submit himself,
and silver pieces bring:
The people that delight in war
disperse, O God and King.

31 Those that be princes great shall then
come out of Egypt lands;
And Ethiopia to God
shall soon stretch out her hands.
32 O all ye kingdoms of the earth,
sing praises to this King;
For he is Lord that ruleth all,
unto him praises sing.

33 To him that rides on heav'ns of heav'ns,
which he of old did found;
Lo, he sends out his voice, a voice
in might that doth abound.
34 Strength unto God do ye ascribe;
for his excellency
Is over Israel, his strength
is in the clouds most high.

35 Thou'rt from thy temple dreadful,
Isr'el's own God is he, [Lord;
Who gives his people strength and
O let God blessed be. [pow'r:

PSALM 69.

1 SAVE me, O God, because the floods
do so environ me,
That ev'n unto my very soul
come in the waters be.
2 I downward in deep mire do sink,
where standing there is none:
I am into deep waters come,
where floods have o'er me gone.

3 I weary with my crying am,
my throat is also dry'd;
Mine eyes do fail, while for my God
I waiting do abide.
4 Those men that do without a cause
bear hatred unto me,
Than are the hairs upon my head
in number more they be:

They that would me destroy, and are
mine en'mies wrongfully,
Are mighty: so what I took not,
to render forc'd was I.
5 Lord, thou my folly know'st, my sins
not cover'd are from thee.
6 Let none that wait on thee be sham'd,
Lord God of hosts, for me.

O Lord, the God of Israel,
let none, who search do make,
And seek thee, be at any time
confounded for my sake.
7 For I have borne reproach for thee,
my face is hid with shame.

8 To brethren strange, to mother's sons
an alien I became.
9 Because the zeal did eat me up,
which to thine house I bear;
And the reproaches cast at thee,
upon me fallen are.
10 My tears and fasts, t' afflict my soul,
were turned to my shame.
11 When sackcloth I did wear, to them
a proverb I became.

12 The men that in the gate do sit
against me evil spake;
They also that vile drunkards were,
of me their song did make.
13 But, in an acceptable time,
my pray'r, Lord, is to thee:
In truth of thy salvation, Lord,
and mercy great, hear me.

14 Deliver me out of the mire,
from sinking do me keep;
Free me from those that do me hate,
and from the waters deep.
15 Let not the flood on me prevail,
whose water overflows;
Nor deep me swallow, nor the pit
her mouth upon me close.

16 Hear me, O Lord, because thy love
and kindness is most good;
Turn unto me, according to
thy mercies' multitude.
17 Nor from thy servant hide thy face:
I'm troubled, soon attend.
18 Draw near my soul, and it redeem;
me from my foes defend.

19 To thee is my reproach well known,
my shame, and my disgrace:
Those that mine adversaries be
are all before thy face.
20 Reproach hath broke my heart; I'm [full
of grief: I look'd for one
To pity me, but none I found;
comforters found I none.

21 They also bitter gall did give
unto me for my meat:
They gave me vinegar to drink,
when as my thirst was great.
22 Before them let their table prove
a snare; and do thou make
Their welfare and prosperity
a trap themselves to take.

23 Let thou their eyes so darken'd be,
that sight may them forsake:
And let their loins be made by thee
continually to shake.
24 Thy fury pour thou out on them,
and indignation;
And let thy wrathful anger, Lord,
fast hold take them upon.

25 All waste and desolate let be
their habitation;
And in their tabernacles all
inhabitants be none.
26 Because him they do persecute,
whom thou didst smite before;
They talk unto the grief of those
whom thou hast wounded sore.

27 Add thou iniquity unto
their former wickedness;
And do not let them come at all
into thy righteousness.
28 Out of the book of life let them
be raz'd and blotted quite;
Among the just and righteous
let not their names be writ.

29 But now become exceeding poor
and sorrowful am I:
By thy salvation, O my God,
let me be set on high.
30 The name of God I with a song
most cheerfully will praise;
And I, in giving thanks to him,
his name shall highly raise.

31 This to the Lord a sacrifice
more gracious shall prove
Than bullock, ox, or any beast
that hath both horn and hoof.
32 When this the humble men shall see,
it joy to them shall give:
O all ye that do seek the Lord,
your hearts shall ever live.

33 For God the poor hears, and will not
his prisoners contemn.
34 Let heav'n, and earth, and seas, him
praise,
and all that move in them.
35 For God will Judah's cities build,
and he will Sion save,
That they may dwell therein, and it
in sure possession have.

36 And they that are his servants' seed
inherit shall the same;
So shall they have their dwelling there
that love his blessed name.

PSALM 70.

1 LORD, haste me to deliver;
with speed, Lord, succour me.
2 Let them that for my soul do seek
sham'd and confounded be:
Turn'd back be they, and sham'd,
that in my hurt delight.
3 Turn'd back be they, Ha, ha! that say,
their shaming to requite.

4 In thee let all be glad,
and joy that seek for thee:
Let them who thy salvation love
say still, God praised be.
5 I poor and needy am;
come, Lord, and make no stay:
My help thou and deliv'rer art;
O Lord, make no delay.

Another of the same.

1 MAKE haste, O God, me to preserve;
with speed, Lord, succour me.
2 Let them that for my soul do seek,
sham'd and confounded be:
Let them be turned back, and sham'd,
that in my hurt delight.
3 Turn'd back be they, Ha, ha! that say,
their shaming to requite.

4 O Lord, in thee let all be glad,
and joy that seek for thee:
Let them who thy salvation love
say still, God praised be.
5 But I both poor and needy am;
come, Lord, and make no stay:
My help thou and deliv'rer art;
O Lord, make no delay.

PSALM 71.

1 O LORD, my hope and confidence
is plac'd in thee alone;
Then let thy servant never be
put to confusion.
2 And let me, in thy righteousness,
from thee deliv'rance have;
Cause me escape, incline thine ear
unto me, and me save.

3 Be thou my dwelling-rock, to which
I ever may resort:
Thou gav'st commandment me to save,
for thou'rt my rock and fort.
4 Free me, my God, from wicked hands,
hands cruel and unjust:
5 For thou, O Lord God, art my hope,
and from my youth my trust.

6 Thou from the womb didst hold me up;
thou art the same that me
Out of my mother's bowels took;
I ever will praise thee.
7 To many I a wonder am;
but thou'rt my refuge strong.
8 Fill'd let my mouth be with thy praise
and honour all day long.

9 O do not cast me off, when as
old age doth overtake me;
And when my strength decayed is,
then do not thou forsake me.
10 For those that are mine enemies
against me speak with hate;
And they together counsel take
that for my soul lay wait.

11 They said, God leaves him; him pursue
and take: none will him save.
12 Be thou not far from me, my God:
thy speedy help I crave.
13 Confound, consume them, that unto
my soul are enemies:
Cloth'd be they with reproach and [shame
that do my hurt devise.

14 But I with expectation
will hope continually;
And yet with praises more and more
I will thee magnify.
15 Thy justice and salvation
my mouth abroad shall show,
Ev'n all the day; for I thereof
the numbers do not know.

16 And I will constantly go on
in strength of God the Lord;
And thine own righteousness, ev'n [thine
alone, I will record.
17 For even from my youth, O God,
by thee I have been taught;
And hitherto I have declar'd
the wonders thou hast wrought.

18 And now, Lord, leave me not, when I
old and gray-headed grow:
Till to this age thy strength and pow'r
to all to come I show.
19 And thy most perfect righteousness,
O Lord, is very high,
Who hast so great things done: O God,
who is like unto thee?

20 Thou, Lord, who great adversities,
and sore, to me didst show,
Shalt quicken, and bring me again
from depths of earth below.
21 My greatness and my pow'r thou wilt
increase, and far extend:
On ev'ry side against all grief
thou wilt me comfort send.

22 Thee, ev'n thy truth, I'll also praise,
my God, with psaltery:
Thou Holy One of Israel,
with harp I'll sing to thee.
23 My lips shall much rejoice in thee,
when I thy praises sound;
My soul, which thou redeemed hast,
in joy shall much abound.

24 My tongue thy justice shall proclaim,
continuing all day long;
For they confounded are, and sham'd,
that seek to do me wrong.

PSALM 72.

1 O LORD, thy judgments give the king,
his son thy righteousness.
2 With right he shall thy people judge,
thy poor with uprightness.
3 The lofty mountains shall bring forth
unto the people peace;
Likewise the little hills the same
shall do by righteousness.

4 The people's poor ones he shall judge,
the needy's children save;
And those shall he in pieces break
who them oppressed have.
5 They shall thee fear, while sun and moon
do last, through ages all.

6 Like rain on mown grass he shall drop,
or show'rs on earth that fall.

7 The just shall flourish in his days,
and prosper in his reign:
He shall, while doth the moon endure,
abundant peace maintain.
8 His large and great dominion shall
from sea to sea extend:
It from the river shall reach forth
unto earth's utmost end.

9 They in the wilderness that dwell
bow down before him must;
And they that are his enemies
shall lick the very dust.
10 The kings of Tarshish, and the isles,
to him shall presents bring;
And unto him shall offer gifts
Sheba's and Seba's king.

11 Yea, all the mighty kings on earth
before him down shall fall;
And all the nations of the world
do service to him shall.
12 For he the needy shall preserve,
when he to him doth call;
The poor also, and him that hath
no help of man at all.

13 The poor man and the indigent
in mercy he shall spare;
He shall preserve alive the souls
of those that needy are.
14 Both from deceit and violence
their soul he shall set free;
And in his sight right precious
and dear their blood shall be.

15 Yea, he shall live, and giv'n to him
shall be of Sheba's gold:
For him still shall they pray, and he
shall daily be extoll'd.
16 Of corn an handful in the earth
on tops of mountains high,
With prosp'rous fruit shall shake, like
on Lebanon that be. [trees

The city shall be flourishing,
her citizens abound
In number shall, like to the grass
that grows upon the ground.
17 His name for ever shall endure;
last like the sun it shall:
Men shall be bless'd in him, and bless'd
all nations shall him call.

18 Now blessed be the Lord our God,
the God of Israel,
For he alone doth wondrous works,
in glory that excel.
19 And blessed be his glorious name
to all eternity:
The whole earth let his glory fill.
Amen, so let it be.

PSALM 73.

1 YET God is good to Israel,
to each pure-hearted one.
2 But as for me, my steps near slipp'd,
my feet were almost gone.
3 For I envious was, and grudg'd
the foolish folk to see,
When I perceiv'd the wicked sort
enjoy prosperity.

4 For still their strength continueth firm;
their death of bands is free.
5 They are not toil'd like other men,
nor plagu'd, as others be.
6 Therefore their pride, like to a chain,
them compasseth about;
And, as a garment, violence
doth cover them throughout.

7 Their eyes stand out with fat; they have
more than their hearts could wish.
8 They are corrupt; their talk of wrong
both lewd and lofty is.
9 They set their mouth against the
heav'ns
in their blasphemous talk;
And their reproaching tongue through-
the earth at large doth walk. [out

10 His people oftentimes for this
look back, and turn about;
Sith waters of so full a cup
to these are poured out.
11 And thus they say, How can it be
that God these things doth know?
Or, Can there in the Highest be
knowledge of things below?

12 Behold, these are the wicked ones,
yet prosper at their will
In worldly things; they do increase
in wealth and riches still.
13 I verily have done in vain
my heart to purify;
To no effect in innocence
washed my hands have I.

14 For daily, and all day throughout,
great plagues I suffer'd have;
Yea, ev'ry morning I of new
did chastisement receive.
15 If in this manner foolishly
to speak I would intend,
Thy children's generation,
behold, I should offend.

16 When I this thought to know, it was
too hard a thing for me;
17 Till to God's sanctuary I went,
then I their end did see.
18 Assuredly thou didst them set
a slipp'ry place upon;
Them suddenly thou castedst down
into destruction.

19 How in a moment suddenly
to ruin brought are they!
With fearful terrors utterly
they are consum'd away.
20 Ev'n like unto a dream, when one
from sleeping doth arise;
So thou, O Lord, when thou awak'st,
their image shalt despise.

21 Thus grieved was my heart in me,
and me my reins opprest:
22 So rude was I, and ignorant,
and in thy sight a beast.
23 Nevertheless continually,
O Lord, I am with thee:
Thou dost me hold by my right hand,
and still upholdest me.

24 Thou, with thy counsel, while I live,
wilt me conduct and guide;
And to thy glory afterward
receive me to abide.
25 Whom have I in the heavens high
but thee, O Lord, alone?
And in the earth whom I desire
besides thee there is none.

26 My flesh and heart doth faint and fail,
but God doth fail me never:
For of my heart God is the strength
and portion for ever.
27 For, lo, they that are far from thee
for ever perish shall;
Them that a whoring from thee go
thou hast destroyed all.

28 But surely it is good for me
that I draw near to God:
In God I trust, that all thy works
I may declare abroad.

PSALM 74.

1 O GOD, why hast thou cast us off?
is it for evermore?
Against thy pasture-sheep why doth
thine anger smoke so sore?
2 O call to thy rememberance
thy congregation,
Which thou hast purchased of old;
still think the same upon:

The rod of thine inheritance,
which thou redeemed hast,
This Sion hill, wherein thou hadst
thy dwelling in times past.
3 To these long desolations
thy feet lift, do not tarry;
For all the ills thy foes have done
within thy sanctuary.

4 Amidst thy congregations
thine enemies do roar:
Their ensigns they set up for signs
of triumph thee before.
5 A man was famous, and was had
in estimation,
According as he lifted up
his axe thick trees upon.

6 But all at once with axes now
and hammers they go to,
And down the carved work thereof
they break, and quite undo.
7 They fired have thy sanctuary,
and have defil'd the same,
By casting down unto the ground
the place where dwelt thy name.

8 Thus said they in their hearts, Let us
destroy them out of hand:
They burnt up all the synagogues
of God within the land.
9 Our signs we do not now behold;
there is not us among
A prophet more, nor any one
that knows the time how long.

10 How long, Lord, shall the enemy
thus in reproach exclaim?
And shall the adversary thus
always blaspheme thy name?
11 Thy hand, ev'n thy right hand of
might,
why dost thou thus draw back?
O from thy bosom pluck it out
for our deliv'rance' sake.

12 For certainly God is my King,
ev'n from the times of old,
Working in midst of all the earth
salvation manifold.
13 The sea, by thy great pow'r, to part
asunder thou didst make;
And thou the dragons' heads, O Lord,
within the waters brake.

14 The leviathan's head thou brak'st
in pieces, and didst give
Him to be meat unto the folk
in wilderness that live.
15 Thou clav'st the fountain and the flood,
which did with streams abound:
Thou dry'dst the mighty waters up
unto the very ground.

16 Thine only is the day, O Lord,
thine also is the night;
And thou alone prepared hast
the sun and shining light.
17 By thee the borders of the earth
were settled ev'ry where:
The summer and the winter both
by thee created were.

18 That th' enemy reproached hath,
O keep it in record;
And that the foolish people have
blaspheme'd thy name, O Lord.
19 Unto the multitude do not
thy turtle's soul deliver:
The congregation of thy poor
do not forget for ever.

20 Unto thy cov'nant have respect;
for earth's dark places be
Full of the habitations
of horrid cruelty.
21 O let not those that be oppress'd
return again with shame:
Let those that poor and needy are
give praise unto thy name.

22 Do thou, O God, arise and plead
the cause that is thine own:
Remember how thou art reproach'd
still by the foolish one.
23 Do not forget the voice of those
that are thine enemies:
Of those the tumult ever grows
that do against thee rise.

PSALM 75.

1 TO thee, O God, do we give thanks,
we do give thanks to thee;
Because thy wondrous works declare
thy great name near to be.
2 I purpose, when I shall receive
the congregation,
That I shall judgment uprightly
render to ev'ry one.

3 Dissolved is the land, with all
that in the same do dwell;
But I the pillars thereof do
bear up, and stablish well.
4 I to the foolish people said,
Do not deal foolishly;
And unto those that wicked are,
Lift not your horn on high.

5 Lift not your horn on high, nor speak
6 with stubborn neck. But know,
That not from east, nor west, nor south,
promotion doth flow.
7 But God is judge; he puts down one,
and sets another up.
8 For in the hand of God most high
of red wine is a cup:

'Tis full of mixture, he pours forth,
and makes the wicked all
Wring out the bitter dregs thereof;
yea, and they drink them shall.
9 But I for ever will declare,
I Jacob's God will praise.
10 All horns of lewd men I'll cut off;
but just men's horns will raise.

PSALM 76.

1 IN Judah's land God is well known,
his name's in Isr'el great:
2 In Salem is his tabernacle,
in Sion is his seat.
3 There arrows of the bow he brake,
the shield, the sword, the war.
4 More glorious thou than hills of prey,
more excellent art far.

5 Those that were stout of heart are
spoil'd,
they slept their sleep outright;
And none of those their hands did find,
that were the men of might.
6 When thy rebuke, O Jacob's God,
had forth against them past,
Their horses and their chariots both
were in a dead sleep cast.

7 Thou, Lord, ev'n thou art he that
be fear'd; and who is he [should
That may stand up before thy sight,
if once thou angry be?
8 From heav'n thou judgment caus'd be
the earth was still with fear, [heard;
9 When God to judgment rose, to save
all meek on earth that were.

10 Surely the very wrath of man
unto thy praise redounds:
Thou to the remnant of his wrath
wilt set restraining bounds.
11 Vow to the Lord your God, and pay:
all ye that near him be,
Bring gifts and presents unto him;
for to be fear'd is he.

12 By him the sp'rits shall be cut off
of those that princes are:
Unto the kings that are on earth
he fearful doth appear.

PSALM 77.

1 UNTO the Lord I with my voice,
I unto God did cry;
Ev'n with my voice, and unto me
his ear he did apply.
2 I in my trouble sought the Lord,
my sore by night did run,
And ceased not; my grieved soul
did consolation shun.

3 I to remembrance God did call,
yet trouble did remain;
And overwhelm'd my spirit was,
whilst I did sore complain.
4 Mine eyes, debarr'd from rest and
thou makest still to wake; [sleep,
My trouble is so great that I
unable am to speak.

5 The days of old to mind I call'd,
and oft did think upon
The times and ages that are past
full many years agone.
6 By night my song I call to mind,
and commune with my heart;
My sp'rit did carefully enquire
how I might ease my smart.

7 For ever will the Lord cast off,
and gracious be no more?
8 For ever is his mercy gone?
fails his word evermore?
9 Is't true that to be gracious
the Lord forgotten hath?

And that his tender mercies he
hath shut up in his wrath?
10 Then did I say, That surely this
is mine infirmity:
I'll mind the years of the right hand
of him that is most High.
11 Yea, I remember will the works
performed by the Lord:
The wonders done of old by thee
I surely will record.
12 I also will of all thy works
my meditation make;
And of thy doings to discourse
great pleasure I will take.
13 O God, thy way most holy is
within thy sanctuary;
And what god is so great in pow'r
as is our God most high?
14 Thou art the God that wonders do'st
by thy right hand most strong:
Thy mighty pow'r thou hast declar'd
the nations among.
15 To thine own people with thine arm
thou didst redemption bring;
To Jacob's sons, and to the tribes
of Joseph that do spring.
16 The waters, Lord, perceived thee,
the waters saw thee well;
And they for fear aside did flee;
the depths on trembling fell.
17 The clouds in water forth were pour'd,
sound loudly did the sky;
And swiftly through the world abroad
thine arrows fierce did fly.
18 Thy thunder's voice alongst the heav'n
a mighty noise did make;
By lightnings lighten'd was the world,
th' earth tremble did and shake.
19 Thy way is in the sea, and in
the waters great thy path;
Yet are thy footsteps hid, O Lord;
none knowledge thereof hath.
20 Thy people thou didst safely lead,
like to a flock of sheep;
By Moses' hand and Aaron's thou
didst them conduct and keep.

PSALM 78.

1 ATTEND, my people, to my law;
thereto give thou an ear;
The words that from my mouth pro-
attentively do hear. [ceed
2 My mouth shall speak a parable,
and sayings dark of old;
3 The same which we have heard and
and us our fathers told. [known,
4 We also will them not conceal
from their posterity;
Them to the generation
to come declare will we:
The praises of the Lord our God,
and his almighty strength,
The wondrous works that he hath
we will shew forth at length. [done,
5 His testimony and his law
in Isr'el he did place,
And charg'd our fathers it to show
to their succeeding race;
6 That so the race which was to come
might well them learn and know;
And sons unborn, who should arise,
might to their sons them show:
7 That they might set their hope in God,
and suffer not to fall
His mighty works out of their mind,
but keep his precepts all:
8 And might not, like their fathers, be
a stiff rebellious race;
A race not right in heart; with God
whose sp'rit not stedfast was.
9 The sons of Ephraim, who nor bows
nor other arms did lack,
When as the day of battle was,
they faintly turned back.
10 They brake God's cov'nant, and refus'd
in his commands to go;
11 His works and wonders they forgot,
which he to them did show.
12 Things marvellous he brought to pass;
their fathers them beheld
Within the land of Egypt done,
yea, ev'n in Zoan's field.
13 By him divided was the sea,
he caus'd them through to pass;
And made the waters so to stand,
as like an heap it was.
14 With cloud by day, with light of fire
all night, he did them guide.
15 In desert rocks he clave, and drink,
as from great depths, supply'd.
16 He from the rock brought streams, like
made waters to run down. [floods
17 Yet sinning more, in desert they
provok'd the Highest One.
18 For in their heart they tempted God,
and, speaking with mistrust,
They greedily did meat require
to satisfy their lust.
19 Against the Lord himself they spake,
and, murmuring, said thus,
A table in the wilderness
can God prepare for us?
20 Behold, he smote the rock, and thence
came streams and waters great;
But can he give his people bread?
and send them flesh to eat?
21 The Lord did hear, and waxed wroth;
so kindled was a flame
'Gainst Jacob, and 'gainst Israel
up indignation came.

22 For they believ'd not God, nor trust
in his salvation had;
23 Though clouds above he did command,
and heav'n's doors open made,
24 And manna rain'd on them, and gave
them corn of heav'n to eat.
25 Man angels' food did eat; to them
he to the full sent meat.

26 And in the heaven he did cause
an eastern wind to blow;
And by his power he let out
the southern wind to go.
27 Then flesh as thick as dust he made
to rain down them among;
And feather'd fowls, like as the sand
which li'th the shore along.

28 At his command amidst their camp
these show'rs of flesh down fell,
All round about the tabernacles
and tents where they did dwell.
29 So they did eat abundantly,
and had of meat their fill;
For he did give to them what was
their own desire and will.

30 They from their lust had not estrang'd
their heart and their desire;
But while the meat was in their mouths,
which they did so require,
31 God's wrath upon them came, and slew
the fattest of them all;
So that the choice of Israel,
o'erthrown by death, did fall.

32 Yet, notwithstanding of all this,
they sinned still the more;
And though he had great wonders
wrought,
believ'd him not therefore:
33 Wherefore their days in vanity
he did consume and waste;
And by his wrath their wretched years
away in trouble past.

34 But when he slew them, then they did
to seek him shew desire;
Yea, they return'd, and after God
right early did enquire.
35 And that the Lord had been their Rock
they did remember then;
Ev'n that the high almighty God
had their Redeemer been.

36 Yet with their mouth they flatter'd
and spake but feignedly; [him,
And they unto the God of truth
with their false tongues did lie.
37 For though their words were good,
their heart
with him was not sincere;
Unstedfast and perfidious
they in his cov'nant were.

38 But, full of pity, he forgave
their sin, them did not slay;
Nor stirr'd up all his wrath, but oft
his anger turn'd away.
39 For that they were but fading flesh
to mind he did recall;
A wind that passeth soon away,
and not returns at all.

40 How often did they him provoke
within the wilderness!
And in the desert did him grieve
with their rebelliousness!
41 Yea, turning back, they tempted God,
and limits set upon
Him, who in midst of Isr'el is
the only Holy One.

42 They did not call to mind his pow'r,
nor yet the day when he
Deliver'd them out of the hand
of their fierce enemy;
43 Nor how great signs in Egypt land
he openly had wrought;
What miracles in Zoan's field
his hand to pass had brought.

44 How lakes and rivers ev'ry where
he turned into blood;
So that nor man nor beast could drink
of standing lake or flood.
45 He brought among them swarms of
which did them sore annoy; [flies,
And divers kinds of filthy frogs
he sent them to destroy.

46 He to the caterpillar gave
the fruits of all their soil;
Their labours he deliver'd up
unto the locusts' spoil.
47 Their vines with hail, their sycamores
he with the frost did blast:
48 Their beasts to hail he gave; their
hot thunderbolts did waste. [flocks

49 Fierce burning wrath he on them cast,
and indignation strong,
And troubles sore, by sending forth
ill angels them among.
50 He to his wrath made way; their soul
from death he did not save;
But over to the pestilence
the lives of them he gave.

51 In Egypt land the first-born all
he smote down ev'ry where;
Among the tents of Ham, ev'n these
chief of their strength that were.
52 But his own people, like to sheep,
thence to go forth he made;
And he, amidst the wilderness,
them, as a flock, did lead.

53 And he them safely on did lead,
so that they did not fear;
Whereas their en'mies by the sea
quite overwhelmed were.
54 To borders of his sanctuary
the Lord his people led,

Ev'n to the mount which his right [hand
for them had purchased.

55 The nations of Canaan,
by his almighty hand,
Before their face he did expel
out of their native land;
Which for inheritance to them
by line he did divide,
And made the tribes of Israel
within their tents abide.

56 Yet God most high they did provoke,
and tempted ever still;
And to observe his testimonies
did not incline their will:
57 But, like their fathers, turned back,
and dealt unfaithfully:
Aside they turned, like a bow
that shoots deceitfully.

58 For they to anger did provoke
him with their places high;
And with their graven images
mov'd him to jealousy.
59 When God heard this, he waxed wroth,
and much loath'd Isr'el then:
60 So Shiloh's tent he left, the tent
which he had plac'd with men.

61 And he his strength delivered
into captivity;
He left his glory in the hand
of his proud enemy.
62 His people also he gave o'er
unto the sword's fierce rage:
So sore his wrath inflamed was
against his heritage.

63 The fire consum'd their choice young men;
their maids no marriage had;
64 And when their priests fell by the sword,
their wives no mourning made.
65 But then the Lord arose, as one
that doth from sleep awake;
And like a giant that, by wine
refresh'd, a shout doth make:

66 Upon his en'mies' hinder parts
he made his stroke to fall;
And so upon them he did put
a shame perpetual.
67 Moreover, he the tabernacle
of Joseph did refuse;
The mighty tribe of Ephraim
he would in no wise chuse:

68 But he did chuse Jehudah's tribe
to be the rest above;
And of mount Sion he made choice,
which he so much did love.
69 And he his sanctuary built
like to a palace high,
Like to the earth which he did found
to perpetuity.

70 Of David, that his servant was,
he also choice did make,
And even from the folds of sheep
was pleased him to take:
71 From waiting on the ewes with young,
he brought him forth to feed
Israel, his inheritance,
his people, Jacob's seed.

72 So after the integrity
he of his heart them fed,
And by the good skill of his hands
them wisely governed.

PSALM 79.

1 O GOD, the heathen enter'd have
thine heritage; by them
Defiled is thy house: on heaps
they laid Jerusalem.
2 The bodies of thy servants they
have cast forth to be meat
To rav'nous fowls; thy dear saints' [flesh
they gave to beasts to eat.

3 Their blood about Jerusalem
like water they have shed;
And there was none to bury them
when they were slain and dead.
4 Unto our neighbours a reproach
most base become are we;
A scorn and laughingstock to them
that round about us be.

5 How long, Lord, shall thine anger last?
wilt thou still keep the same?
And shall thy fervent jealousy
burn like unto a flame?
6 On heathen pour thy fury forth,
that have thee never known,
And on those kingdoms which thy [name
have never call'd upon.

7 For these are they who Jacob have
devoured cruelly;
And they his habitation
have caused waste to lie.
8 Against us mind not former sins
thy tender mercies show;
Let them prevent us speedily,
for we're brought very low.

9 For thy name's glory help us, Lord,
who hast our Saviour been:
Deliver us; for thy name's sake,
O purge away our sin.
10 Why say the heathen, Where's their [God?
let him to them be known;
When those who shed thy servants' [blood
are in our sight o'erthrown.

11 O let the pris'ner's sighs ascend
before thy sight on high;
Preserve those in thy mighty pow'r
that are design'd to die.

12 And to our neighbours' bosom cause
it sev'n-fold render'd be,
Ev'n the reproach wherewith they have,
O Lord, reproached thee.

13 So we thy folk, and pasture-sheep,
shall give thee thanks always;
And unto generations all
we will shew forth thy praise.

PSALM 80.

1 HEAR, Isr'el's Shepherd! like a flock
thou that dost Joseph guide;
Shine forth, O thou that dost between
the cherubims abide.
2 In Ephraim's, and Benjamin's,
and in Manasseh's sight,
O come for our salvation;
stir up thy strength and might.

3 Turn us again, O Lord our God,
and upon us vouchsafe
To make thy countenance to shine,
and so we shall be safe.
4 O Lord of hosts, almighty God,
how long shall kindled be
Thy wrath against the prayer made
by thine own folk to thee?

5 Thou tears of sorrow giv'st to them
instead of bread to eat;
Yea, tears instead of drink thou giv'st
to them in measure great.
6 Thou makest us a strife unto
our neighbours round about;
Our enemies among themselves
at us do laugh and flout.

7 Turn us again, O God of hosts,
and upon us vouchsafe
To make thy countenance to shine,
and so we shall be safe.
8 A vine from Egypt brought thou hast,
by thine outstretched hand;
And thou the heathen out didst cast,
to plant it in their land.

9 Before it thou a room didst make,
where it might grow and stand;
Thou causedst it deep root to take,
and it did fill the land.
10 The mountains vail'd were with its [shade,
as with a covering;
Like goodly cedars were the boughs
which out from it did spring.

11 Upon the one hand to the sea
her boughs she did out send;
On th' other side unto the flood
her branches did extend.
12 Why hast thou then thus broken down,
and ta'en her hedge away?
So that all passengers do pluck,
and make of her a prey.

13 The boar who from the forest comes
doth waste it at his pleasure;
The wild beast of the field also
devours it out of measure.
14 O God of hosts, we thee beseech,
return now unto thine;
Look down from heav'n in love, behold,
and visit this thy vine:

15 This vineyard, which thine own right
hath planted us among; [hand
And that same branch, which for thy-
thou hast made to be strong. [self
16 Burnt up it is with flaming fire,
it also is cut down:
They utterly are perished,
when as thy face doth frown.

17 O let thy hand be still upon
the Man of thy right hand,
The Son of man, whom for thyself
thou madest strong to stand.
18 So henceforth we will not go back,
nor turn from thee at all:
O do thou quicken us, and we
upon thy name will call.

19 Turn us again, Lord God of hosts,
and upon us vouchsafe
To make thy countenance to shine,
and so we shall be safe.

PSALM 81.

1 SING loud to God our strength; with [joy
to Jacob's God do sing.
2 Take up a psalm, the pleasant harp,
timbrel and psalt'ry bring.
3 Blow trumpets at new-moon, what day
our feast appointed is:
4 For charge to Isr'el, and a law
of Jacob's God was this.

5 To Joseph this a testimony
he made, when Egypt land
He travell'd through, where speech I [heard
I did not understand.
6 His shoulder I from burdens took,
his hands from pots did free.
7 Thou didst in trouble on me call,
and I deliver'd thee:

In secret place of thundering
I did thee answer make;
And at the streams of Meribah
of thee a proof did take.
8 O thou, my people, give an ear,
I'll testify to thee;
To thee, O Isr'el, if thou wilt
but hearken unto me.

9 In midst of thee there shall not be
any strange god at all;
Nor unto any god unknown
thou bowing down shalt fall.
10 I am the Lord thy God, which did
from Egypt land thee guide;

I'll fill thy mouth abundantly,
do thou it open wide.
11 But yet my people to my voice
would not attentive be;
And ev'n my chosen Israel
he would have none of me.
12 So to the lust of their own hearts
I them delivered;
And then in counsels of their own
they vainly wandered.
13 O that my people had me heard,
Isr'el my ways had chose!
14 I had their en'mies soon subdu'd,
my hand turn'd on their foes.
15 The haters of the Lord to him
submission should have feign'd;
But as for them, their time should have
for evermore remain'd.
16 He should have also fed them with
the finest of the wheat;
Of honey from the rock thy fill
I should have made thee eat.

PSALM 82.

1 IN gods' assembly God doth stand;
he judgeth gods among.
2 How long, accepting persons vile,
will ye give judgment wrong?
3 Defend the poor and fatherless;
to poor oppress'd do right.
4 The poor and needy ones set free;
rid them from ill men's might.
5 They know not, nor will understand;
in darkness they walk on:
All the foundations of the earth
out of their course are gone.
6 I said that ye are gods, and are
sons of the Highest all:
7 But ye shall die like men, and as
one of the princes fall.
8 O God, do thou raise up thyself,
the earth to judgment call:
For thou, as thine inheritance,
shalt take the nations all.

PSALM 83.

1 KEEP not, O God, we thee entreat,
O keep not silence now:
Do thou not hold thy peace, O God,
and still no more be thou.
2 For, lo, thine enemies a noise
tumultuously have made;
And they that haters are of thee
have lifted up the head.
3 Against thy chosen people they
do crafty counsel take;
And they against thy hidden ones
do consultations make.
4 Come, let us cut them off, said they,
from being a nation,
That of the name of Isr'el may
no more be mention.
5 For with joint heart they plot, in league
against thee they combine.
6 The tents of Edom, Ishm'elites,
Moab's and Hagar's line;
7 Gebal, and Ammon, Amalek,
Philistines, those of Tyre;
8 And Assur join'd with them, to help
Lot's children they conspire.
9 Do to them as to Midian,
Jabin at Kison strand;
10 And Sis'ra, which at En-dor fell,
as dung to fat the land.
11 Like Oreb and like Zeeb make
their noble men to fall;
Like Zeba and Zalmunna like,
make thou their princes all;
12 Who said, For our possession
let us God's houses take.
13 My God, them like a wheel, as chaff
before the wind, them make.
14 As fire consumes the wood, as flame
doth mountains set on fire,
15 Chase and affright them with the storm
and tempest of thine ire.
16 Their faces fill with shame, O Lord,
that they may seek thy name.
17 Let them confounded be, and vex'd,
and perish in their shame:
18 That men may know that thou, to
alone doth appertain [whom
The name JEHOVAH, dost most high
o'er all the earth remain.

PSALM 84.

1 HOW lovely is thy dwelling-place,
O Lord of hosts, to me!
The tabernacles of thy grace
how pleasant, Lord, they be!
2 My thirsty soul longs veh'mently,
yea faints, thy courts to see:
My very heart and flesh cry out,
O living God, for thee.
3 Behold, the sparrow findeth out
an house wherein to rest;
The swallow also for herself
hath purchased a nest;
Ev'n thine own altars, where she safe
her young ones forth may bring,
O thou almighty Lord of hosts,
who art my God and King.
4 Bless'd are they in thy house that dwell,
they ever give thee praise.
5 Bless'd is the man whose strength thou
in whose heart are thy ways: [art,
6 Who passing thorough Baca's vale,
therein do dig up wells;
Also the rain that falleth down
the pools with water fills.
7 So they from strength unwearied go
still forward unto strength,
Until in Sion they appear
before the Lord at length.

8 Lord God of hosts, my prayer hear;
O Jacob's God, give ear.
9 See God our shield, look on the face
of thine anointed dear.
10 For in thy courts one day excels
a thousand; rather in
My God's house will I keep a door,
than dwell in tents of sin.
11 For God the Lord's a sun and shield:
he'll grace and glory give;
And will withhold no good from them
that uprightly do live.
12 O thou that art the Lord of hosts,
that man is truly blest,
Who by assured confidence
on thee alone doth rest.

PSALM 85.

1 O LORD, thou hast been favourable
to thy beloved land:
Jacob's captivity thou hast
recall'd with mighty hand.
2 Thou pardoned thy people hast
all their iniquities;
Thou all their trespasses and sins
hast cover'd from thine eyes.
3 Thou took'st off all thine ire, and
turn'dst
from thy wrath's furiousness.
4 Turn us, God of our health, and cause
thy wrath 'gainst us to cease.
5 Shall thy displeasure thus endure
against us without end?
Wilt thou to generations all
thine anger forth extend?
6 That in thee may thy people joy,
wilt thou not us revive?
7 Shew us thy mercy, Lord, to us
do thy salvation give.
8 I'll hear what God the Lord will speak:
to his folk he'll speak peace,
And to his saints; but let them not
return to foolishness.
9 To them that fear him surely near
is his salvation;
That glory in our land may have
her habitation.
10 Truth met with mercy, righteousness
and peace kiss'd mutually:
11 Truth springs from earth, and right-
eousness
looks down from heaven high.
12 Yea, what is good the Lord shall give;
our land shall yield increase:
13 Justice, to set us in his steps,
shall go before his face.

PSALM 86.

1 O LORD, do thou bow down thine
and hear me graciously; [ear,
Because I sore afflicted am,
and am in poverty.
2 Because I'm holy, let my soul
by thee preserved be:
O thou my God, thy servant save,
that puts his trust in thee.
3 Sith unto thee I daily cry,
be merciful to me.
4 Rejoice thy servant's soul; for, Lord,
I lift my soul to thee.
5 For thou art gracious, O Lord,
and ready to forgive;
And rich in mercy, all that call
upon thee to relieve.
6 Hear, Lord, my pray'r; unto the voice
of my request attend:
7 In troublous times I'll call on thee;
for thou wilt answer send.
8 Lord, there is none among the gods
that may with thee compare;
And like the works which thou hast
not any work is there. [done,
9 All nations whom thou mad'st shall
and worship rev'rently [come
Before thy face; and they, O Lord,
thy name shall glorify.
10 Because thou art exceeding great,
and works by thee are done
Which are to be admir'd; and thou
art God thyself alone.
11 Teach me thy way, and in thy truth,
O Lord, then walk will I;
Unite my heart, that I thy name
may fear continually.
12 O Lord my God, with all my heart
to thee I will give praise;
And I the glory will ascribe
unto thy name always:
13 Because thy mercy toward me
in greatness doth excel;
And thou deliver'd hast my soul
out from the lowest hell.
14 O God, the proud against me rise,
and vi'lent men have met,
That for my soul have sought; and
before them have not set. [thee
15 But thou art full of pity, Lord,
a God most gracious,
Long-suffering, and in thy truth
and mercy plenteous.
16 O turn to me thy countenance,
and mercy on me have;
Thy servant strengthen, and the son
of thine own handmaid save.
17 Shew me a sign for good, that they
which do me hate may see,
And be asham'd; because thou, Lord,
didst help and comfort me

PSALM 87.

1 UPON the hills of holiness
he his foundation sets.

2 God, more than Jacob's dwellings all,
delights in Sion's gates.
3 Things glorious are said of thee,
thou city of the Lord.
4 Rahab and Babel I, to those
that know me, will record:
Behold ev'n Tyrus, and with it
the land of Palestine,
And likewise Ethiopia;
this man was born therein.
5 And it of Sion shall be said,
This man and that man there
Was born; and he that is most High
himself shall stablish her.
6 When God the people writes, he'll
count
that this man born was there.
7 There be that sing and play; and all
my well-springs in thee are.

PSALM 88.

1 LORD God, my Saviour, day and night
before thee cry'd have I.
2 Before thee let my prayer come;
give ear unto my cry.
3 For troubles great do fill my soul;
my life draws nigh the grave.
4 I'm counted with those that go down
to pit, and no strength have.
5 Ev'n free among the dead, like them
that slain in grave do lie;
Cut off from thy hand, whom no more
thou hast in memory.
6 Thou hast me laid in lowest pit,
in deeps and darksome caves.
7 Thy wrath lies hard on me, thou hast
me press'd with all thy waves.
8 Thou hast put far from me my friends,
thou mad'st them to abhor me;
And I am so shut up, that I
find no evasion for me.
9 By reason of affliction
mine eye mourns dolefully:
To thee, Lord, do I call, and stretch
my hands continually.
10 Wilt thou shew wonders to the dead?
shall they rise, and thee bless?
11 Shall in the grave thy love be told?
in death thy faithfulness?
12 Shall thy great wonders in the dark,
or shall thy righteousness
Be known to any in the land
of deep forgetfulness?
13 But, Lord, to thee I cry'd; my pray'r
at morn prevent shall thee.
14 Why, Lord, dost thou cast off my soul,
and hid'st thy face from me?
15 Distress'd am I, and from my youth
I ready am to die;
Thy terrors I have borne, and am
distracted fearfully.
16 The dreadful fierceness of thy wrath
quite over me doth go:
Thy terrors great have cut me off,
they did pursue me so.
17 For round about me ev'ry day,
like water, they did roll;
And, gathering together, they
have compassed my soul.
18 My friends thou hast put far from me,
and him that did me love;
And those that mine acquaintance
to darkness didst remove. [were

PSALM 89.

1 GOD's mercies I will ever sing;
and with my mouth I shall
Thy faithfulness make to be known
to generations all.
2 For mercy shall be built, said I,
for ever to endure;
Thy faithfulness, ev'n in the heav'ns,
thou wilt establish sure.
3 I with my chosen One have made
a cov'nant graciously;
And to my servant, whom I lov'd,
to David sworn have I;
4 That I thy seed establish shall
for ever to remain,
And will to generations all
thy throne build and maintain.
5 The praises of thy wonders, Lord,
the heavens shall express;
And in the congregation
of saints thy faithfulness.
6 For who in heaven with the Lord
may once himself compare?
Who is like God among the sons
of those that mighty are?
7 Great fear in meeting of the saints
is due unto the Lord;
And he of all about him should
with rev'rence be ador'd.
8 O thou that art the Lord of hosts,
what Lord in mightiness
Is like to thee? who compass'd round
art with thy faithfulness.
9 Ev'n in the raging of the sea
thou over it dost reign;
And when the waves thereof do swell,
thou stillest them again.
10 Rahab in pieces thou didst break,
like one that slaughter'd is;
And with thy mighty arm thou hast
dispers'd thine enemies.
11 The heav'ns are thine, thou for thine
the earth dost also take; [own
The world, and fulness of the same,
thy pow'r did found and make.
12 The north and south from thee alone
their first beginning had;

Both Tabor mount and Hermon hill
shall in thy name be glad.

13 Thou hast an arm that's full of pow'r,
thy hand is great in might;
And thy right hand exceedingly
exalted is in height.
14 Justice and judgment of thy throne
are made the dwelling-place;
Mercy, accompany'd with truth,
shall go before thy face.

15 O greatly bless'd the people are
the joyful sound that know;
In brightness of thy face, O Lord,
they ever on shall go.
16 They in thy name shall all the day
rejoice exceedingly;
And in thy righteousness shall they
exalted be on high.

17 Because the glory of their strength
doth only stand in thee;
And in thy favour shall our horn
and pow'r exalted be.
18 For God is our defence; and he
to us doth safety bring:
The Holy One of Israel
is our almighty King.

19 In vision to thy Holy One
thou saidst, I help upon
A strong one laid; out of the folk
I rais'd a chosen one;
20 Ev'n David, I have found him out
a servant unto me;
And with my holy oil my King
anointed him to be.

21 With whom my hand shall stablish'd
be;
mine arm shall make him strong.
22 On him the foe shall not exact,
nor son of mischief wrong.
23 I will beat down before his face
all his malicious foes;
I will them greatly plague who do
with hatred him oppose.

24 My mercy and my faithfulness
with him yet still shall be;
And in my name his horn and pow'r
men shall exalted see.
25 His hand and pow'r shall reach afar;
I'll set it in the sea;
And his right hand established
shall in the rivers be.

26 Thou art my Father, he shall cry,
thou art my God alone;
And he shall say, Thou art the Rock
of my salvation.
27 I'll make him my first-born, more high
than kings of any land.
28 My love I'll ever keep for him,
my cov'nant fast shall stand.

29 His seed I by my pow'r will make
for ever to endure;
And, as the days of heav'n, his throne
shall stable be, and sure.
30 But if his children shall forsake
my laws, and go astray,
And in my judgment shall not walk,
but wander from my way:

31 If they my laws break, and do not
keep my commandements;
32 I'll visit then their faults with rods,
their sins with chastisements.
33 Yet I'll not take my love from him,
nor false my promise make.
34 My cov'nant I'll not break, nor change
what with my mouth I spake.

35 Once by my holiness I sware,
to David I'll not lie;
36 His seed and throne shall, as the sun,
before me last for aye.
37 It, like the moon, shall ever be
establish'd stedfastly;
And like to that which in the heav'n
doth witness faithfully.

38 But thou, displeased, hast cast off,
thou didst abhor and loathe;
With him that thine anointed is
thou hast been very wroth.
39 Thou hast thy servant's covenant
made void, and quite cast by;
Thou hast profan'd his crown, while it
cast on the ground doth lie.

40 Thou all his hedges hast broke down,
his strong holds down hast torn.
41 He to all passers-by a spoil,
to neighbours is a scorn.
42 Thou hast set up his foes' right hand;
mad'st all his en'mies glad:
43 Turn'd his sword's edge, and him to
in battle hast not made. [stand

44 His glory thou hast made to cease,
his throne to ground down cast;
45 Shorten'd his days of youth, and him
with shame thou cover'd hast.
46 How long, Lord, wilt thou hide thyself?
for ever, in thine ire?
And shall thine indignation
burn like unto a fire?

47 Remember, Lord, how short a time
I shall on earth remain:
O wherefore is it so that thou
hast made all men in vain?
48 What man is he that liveth here,
and death shall never see?
Or from the power of the grave
what man his soul shall free?

49 Thy former loving-kindnesses,
O Lord, where be they now?
Those which in truth and faithfulness
to David sworn hast thou?

50 Mind, Lord, thy servant's sad reproach;
how I in bosom bear
The scornings of the people all,
who strong and mighty are.

51 Wherewith thy raging enemies
reproach'd, O Lord, think on;
Wherewith they have reproach'd the
of thine anointed one. [steps

52 All blessing to the Lord our God
let be ascribed then:
For evermore so let it be.
Amen, yea, and amen.

PSALM 90.

1 LORD, thou hast been our dwelling-
in generations all. [place

2 Before thou ever hadst brought forth
the mountains great or small;
Ere ever thou hadst form'd the earth,
and all the world abroad;
Ev'n thou from everlasting art
to everlasting God.

3 Thou dost unto destruction
man that is mortal turn;
And unto them thou say'st, Again,
ye sons of men, return.

4 Because a thousand years appear
no more before thy sight
Than yesterday, when it is past,
or than a watch by night.

5 As with an overflowing flood
thou carry'st them away:
They like a sleep are, like the grass
that grows at morn are they.

6 At morn it flourishes and grows,
cut down at ev'n doth fade.

7 For by thine anger we're consum'd,
thy wrath makes us afraid.

8 Our sins thou and iniquities
dost in thy presence place,
And sett'st our secret faults before
the brightness of thy face.

9 For in thine anger all our days
do pass on to an end;
And as a tale that hath been told,
so we our years do spend.

10 Threescore and ten years do sum up
our days and years, we see;
Or if, by reason of more strength,
in some fourscore they be:
Yet doth the strength of such old men
but grief and labour prove;
For it is soon cut off, and we
fly hence, and soon remove.

11 Who knows the power of thy wrath?
according to thy fear

12 So is thy wrath: Lord, teach thou us
our end in mind to bear;
And so to count our days, that we
our hearts may still apply
To learn thy wisdom and thy truth,
that we may live thereby.

13 Turn yet again to us, O Lord,
how long thus shall it be?
Let it repent thee now for those
that servants are to thee.

14 O with thy tender mercies, Lord,
us early satisfy;
So we rejoice shall all our days,
and still be glad in thee.

15 According as the days have been,
wherein we grief have had,
And years wherein we ill have seen,
so do thou make us glad.

16 O let thy work and pow'r appear
thy servants' face before;
And shew unto their children dear
thy glory evermore:

17 And let the beauty of the Lord
our God be us upon:
Our handy-works establish thou,
establish them each one.

PSALM 91.

1 HE that doth in the secret place
of the most High reside,
Under the shade of him that is
th' Almighty shall abide.

2 I of the Lord my God will say,
He is my refuge still,
He is my fortress, and my God,
and in him trust I will.

3 Assuredly he shall thee save,
and give deliverance
From subtile fowler's snare, and from
the noisome pestilence.

4 His feathers shall thee hide; thy trust
under his wings shall be:
His faithfulness shall be a shield
and buckler unto thee.

5 Thou shalt not need to be afraid
for terrors of the night;
Nor for the arrow that doth fly
by day, while it is light;

6 Nor for the pestilence, that walks
in darkness secretly;
Nor for destruction, that doth waste
at noon-day openly.

7 A thousand at thy side shall fall,
on thy right hand shall lie
Ten thousand dead; yet unto thee
it shall not once come nigh.

8 Only thou with thine eyes shalt look,
and a beholder be;
And thou therein the just reward
of wicked men shalt see.

9 Because the Lord, who constantly
my refuge is alone,
Ev'n the most High, is made by thee
thy habitation;

10 No plague shall near thy dwelling
no ill shall thee befall: [come;
11 For thee to keep in all thy ways
his angels charge he shall.

12 They in their hands shall bear thee up,
still waiting thee upon;
Lest thou at any time should'st dash
thy foot against a stone.
13 Upon the adder thou shalt tread,
and on the lion strong;
Thy feet on dragons trample shall,
and on the lions young.

14 Because on me he set his love,
I'll save and set him free;
Because my great name he hath [known,
I will him set on high.
15 He'll call on me, I'll answer him;
I will be with him still
In trouble, to deliver him,
and honour him I will.

16 With length of days unto his mind
I will him satisfy;
I also my salvation
will cause his eyes to see.

PSALM 92.

1 TO render thanks unto the Lord
it is a comely thing,
And to thy name, O thou most High,
due praise aloud to sing.
2 Thy loving-kindness to shew forth
when shines the morning light;
And to declare thy faithfulness
with pleasure ev'ry night,

3 On a ten-stringed instrument,
upon the psaltery,
And on the harp with solemn sound,
and grave sweet melody.
4 For thou, Lord, by thy mighty works
hast made my heart right glad;
And I will triumph in the works
which by thine hands were made.

5 How great, Lord, are thy works! each
of thine a deep it is: [thought
6 A brutish man it knoweth not;
fools understand not this.
7 When those that lewd and wicked are
spring quickly up like grass,
And workers of iniquity
do flourish all apace;

It is that they for ever may
destroyed be and slain:
8 But thou, O Lord, art the most High,
for ever to remain.
9 For, lo, thine enemies, O Lord,
thine en'mies perish shall;
The workers of iniquity
shall be dispersed all.

10 But thou shalt, like unto the horn
of th' unicorn, exalt
My horn on high: thou with fresh oil
anoint me also shalt.
11 Mine eyes shall also my desire
see on mine enemies;
Mine ears shall of the wicked hear,
that do against me rise.

12 But like the palm-tree flourishing
shall be the righteous one;
He shall like to the cedar grow
that is in Lebanon.
13 Those that within the house of God
are planted by his grace,
They shall grow up, and flourish all
in our God's holy place.

14 And in old age, when others fade,
they fruit still forth shall bring;
They shall be fat, and full of sap,
and aye be flourishing;
15 To shew that upright is the Lord:
he is a rock to me;
And he from all unrighteousness
is altogether free.

PSALM 93.

1 THE Lord doth reign, and cloth'd is
with majesty most bright; [he
His works do shew him cloth'd to be,
and girt about with might.
The world is also stablished,
that it cannot depart.
2 Thy throne is fix'd of old, and thou
from everlasting art.

3 The floods, O Lord, have lifted up,
they lifted up their voice;
The floods have lifted up their waves,
and made a mighty noise.
4 But yet the Lord, that is on high,
is more of might by far
Than noise of many waters is,
or great sea-billows are.

5 Thy testimonies ev'ry one
in faithfulness excel;
And holiness for ever, Lord,
thine house becometh well.

PSALM 94.

1 O LORD God, unto whom alone
all vengeance doth belong;
O mighty God, who vengeance own'st,
shine forth, avenging wrong.
2 Lift up thyself, thou of the earth
the sov'reign Judge that art;
And unto those that are so proud
a due reward impart.

3 How long, O mighty God, shall they
who lewd and wicked be,
How long shall they who wicked are
thus triumph haughtily?
4 How long shall things most hard by [them
be uttered and told?
And all that work iniquity
to boast themselves be bold?

5 Thy folk they break in pieces, Lord,
thine heritage oppress:
6 The widow they and stranger slay,
and kill the fatherless.
7 Yet say they, God it shall not see,
nor God of Jacob know.
8 Ye brutish people! understand;
fools! when wise will ye grow?

9 The Lord did plant the ear of man,
and hear then shall not he?
He only form'd the eye, and then
shall he not clearly see?
10 He that the nations doth correct,
shall he not chastise you?
He knowledge unto man doth teach,
and shall himself not know?

11 Man's thoughts to be but vanity
the Lord doth well discern.
12 Bless'd is the man thou chast'nest, Lord,
and mak'st thy law to learn:
13 That thou may'st give him rest from of sad adversity, [days
Until the pit be digg'd for those
that work iniquity.

14 For sure the Lord will not cast off
those that his people be,
Neither his own inheritance
quit and forsake will he:
15 But judgment unto righteousness
shall yet return again;
And all shall follow after it
that are right-hearted men.

16 Who will rise up for me against
those that do wickedly?
Who will stand up for me 'gainst those
that work iniquity?
17 Unless the Lord had been my help
when I was sore opprest,
Almost my soul had in the house
of silence been at rest.

18 When I had uttered this word,
(my foot doth slip away,)
Thy mercy held me up, O Lord,
thy goodness did me stay.
19 Amidst the multitude of thoughts
which in my heart do fight,
My soul, lest it be overcharg'd,
thy comforts do delight.

20 Shall of iniquity the throne
have fellowship with thee,
Which mischief, cunningly contriv'd,
doth by a law decree?
21 Against the righteous souls they join,
they guiltless blood condemn.
22 But of my refuge God's the rock,
and my defence from them.

23 On them their own iniquity
the Lord shall bring and lay,
And cut them off in their own sin;
our Lord God shall them slay.

PSALM 95.

1 O COME, let us sing to the Lord:
come, let us ev'ry one
A joyful noise make to the Rock
of our salvation.
2 Let us before his presence come
with praise and thankful voice;
Let us sing psalms to him with grace,
and make a joyful noise.

3 For God, a great God, and great King,
above all gods he is.
4 Depths of the earth are in his hand,
the strength of hills is his.
5 To him the spacious sea belongs,
for he the same did make;
The dry land also from his hands
its form at first did take.

6 O come, and let us worship him,
let us bow down withal,
And on our knees before the Lord
our Maker let us fall.
7 For he's our God, the people we
of his own pasture are,
And of his hand the sheep; to-day,
if ye his voice will hear,

8 Then harden not your hearts, as in
the provocation,
As in the desert, on the day
of the tentation:
9 When me your fathers tempt'd and prov'd,
and did my working see;
10 Ev'n for the space of forty years
this race hath grieved me.

I said, This people errs in heart,
my ways they do not know:
11 To whom I sware in wrath, that to
my rest they should not go.

PSALM 96.

1 O SING a new song to the Lord:
sing all the earth to God.
2 To God sing, bless his name, shew still
his saving health abroad.
3 Among the heathen nations
his glory do declare;
And unto all the people shew
his works that wondrous are.

4 For great's the Lord, and greatly he
is to be magnify'd;
Yea, worthy to be fear'd is he
above all gods beside.
5 For all the gods are idols dumb,
which blinded nations fear;
But our God is the Lord, by whom
the heav'ns created were.

6 Great honour is before his face,
and majesty divine;
Strength is within his holy place,
and there doth beauty shine.
7 Do ye ascribe unto the Lord,
of people ev'ry tribe,

Glory do ye unto the Lord,
and mighty pow'r ascribe.
8 Give ye the glory to the Lord
that to his name is due;
Come ye into his courts, and bring
an offering with you.
9 In beauty of his holiness,
O do the Lord adore;
Likewise let all the earth throughout
tremble his face before.
10 Among the heathen say, God reigns;
the world shall stedfastly
Be fix'd from moving; he shall judge
the people righteously.
11 Let heav'ns be glad before the Lord,
and let the earth rejoice;
Let seas, and all that is therein,
cry out, and make a noise.
12 Let fields rejoice, and ev'ry thing
that springeth of the earth:
Then woods and ev'ry tree shall sing
with gladness and with mirth
13 Before the Lord; because he comes,
to judge the earth comes he:
He'll judge the world with righteous-
the people faithfully. [ness,

PSALM 97.

1 GOD reigneth, let the earth be glad,
and isles rejoice each one.
2 Dark clouds him compass; and in right
with judgment dwells his throne.
3 Fire goes before him, and his foes
it burns up round about:
4 His lightnings lighten did the world;
earth saw, and shook throughout.
5 Hills at the presence of the Lord,
like wax, did melt away;
Ev'n at the presence of the Lord
of all the earth, I say.
6 The heav'ns declare his righteousness,
all men his glory see.
7 All who serve graven images,
confounded let them be.
Who do of idols boast themselves,
let shame upon them fall:
Ye that are called gods, see that
ye do him worship all.
8 Sion did hear, and joyful was,
glad Judah's daughters were;
They much rejoic'd, O Lord, because
thy judgments did appear.
9 For thou, O Lord, art high above
all things on earth that are;
Above all other gods thou art
exalted very far.
10 Hate ill, all ye that love the Lord:
his saints' souls keepeth he;
And from the hands of wicked men
he sets them safe and free.
11 For all those that be righteous
sown is a joyful light,
And gladness sown is for all those
that are in heart upright.
12 Ye righteous, in the Lord rejoice;
express your thankfulness,
When ye into your memory
do call his holiness.

PSALM 98.

1 O SING a new song to the Lord,
for wonders he hath done:
His right hand and his holy arm
him victory hath won.
2 The Lord God his salvation
hath caused to be known;
His justice in the heathen's sight
he openly hath shown.
3 He mindful of his grace and truth
to Isr'el's house hath been;
And the salvation of our God
all ends of th' earth have seen.
4 Let all the earth unto the Lord
send forth a joyful noise;
Lift up your voice aloud to him,
sing praises, and rejoice.
5 With harp, with harp, and voice of
unto JEHOVAH sing: [psalms,
6 With trumpets, cornets, gladly sound
before the Lord the King.
7 Let seas and all their fulness roar;
the world, and dwellers there;
8 Let floods clap hands, and let the hills
together joy declare
9 Before the Lord; because he comes,
to judge the earth comes he:
He'll judge the world with rightcous-
his folk with equity. [ness,

PSALM 99.

1 TH' eternal Lord doth reign as king,
let all the people quake;
He sits between the cherubims,
let th' earth be mov'd and shake.
2 The Lord in Sion great and high
above all people is;
3 Thy great and dreadful name (for it
is holy) let them bless.
4 The king's strength also judgment
thou settlest equity: [loves;
Just judgment thou dost execute
in Jacob righteously.
5 The Lord our God exalt on high,
and rev'rently do ye
Before his footstool worship him:
the Holy One is he.
6 Moses and Aaron 'mong his priests,
Samuel, with them that call
Upon his name: these call'd on God,
and he them answer'd all.

7 Within the pillar of the cloud
he unto them did speak:
The testimonies he them taught,
and laws, they did not break.

8 Thou answer'dst them, O Lord our
thou wast a God that gave [God;
Pardon to them, though on their deeds
thou wouldest vengeance have.
9 Do ye exalt the Lord our God,
and at his holy hill
Do ye him worship: for the Lord
our God is holy still.

PSALM 100.

1 ALL people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful
voice.
2 Him serve with mirth, his praise forth
Come ye before him and rejoice. [tell,
3 Know that the Lord is God indeed;
Without our aid he did us make:
We are his flock, he doth us feed,
And for his sheep he doth us take.

4 O enter then his gates with praise,
Approach with joy his courts unto:
Praise, laud, and bless his name always,
For it is seemly so to do.
5 For why? the Lord our God is good,
His mercy is for ever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.

Another of the same.

1 O ALL ye lands, unto the Lord
make ye a joyful noise.
2 Serve God with gladness, him before
come with a singing voice.
3 Know ye the Lord that he is God;
not we, but he us made:
We are his people, and the sheep
within his pasture fed.

4 Enter his gates and courts with praise,
to thank him go ye thither:
To him express your thankfulness,
and bless his name together.
5 Because the Lord our God is good,
his mercy faileth never;
And to all generations
his truth endureth ever.

PSALM 101.

1 I MERCY will and judgment sing,
Lord, I will sing to thee.
2 With wisdom in a perfect way
shall my behaviour be.
O when, in kindness unto me,
wilt thou be pleas'd to come?
I with a perfect heart will walk
within my house at home.

3 I will endure no wicked thing
before mine eyes to be:
I hate their work that turn aside,
it shall not cleave to me.
4 A stubborn and a froward heart
depart quite from me shall;
A person giv'n to wickedness
I will not know at all.

5 I'll cut him off that slandereth
his neighbour privily:
The haughty heart I will not bear,
nor him that looketh high.
6 Upon the faithful of the land
mine eyes shall be, that they
May dwell with me: he shall me serve
that walks in perfect way.

7 Who of deceit a worker is
in my house shall not dwell;
And in my presence shall he not
remain that lies doth tell.
8 Yea, all the wicked of the land
early destroy will I;
All from God's city to cut off
that work iniquity.

PSALM 102.

1 O LORD, unto my pray'r give ear,
my cry let come to thee;
2 And in the day of my distress
hide not thy face from me.
Give ear to me; what time I call,
to answer me make haste:
3 For, as an hearth, my bones are burnt,
my days, like smoke, do waste.

4 My heart within me smitten is,
and it is withered
Like very grass; so that I do
forget to eat my bread.
5 By reason of my groaning voice
my bones cleave to my skin.
6 Like pelican in wilderness
forsaken I have been:

I like an owl in desert am,
that nightly there doth moan;
7 I watch, and like a sparrow am
on the house-top alone.
8 My bitter en'mies all the day
reproaches cast on me;
And, being mad at me, with rage
against me sworn they be.

9 For why? I ashes eaten have
like bread, in sorrows deep;
My drink I also mingled have
with tears that I did weep.
10 Thy wrath and indignation
did cause this grief and pain;
For thou hast lift me up on high,
and cast me down again.

11 My days are like unto a shade,
which doth declining pass:
And I am dry'd and withered,
ev'n like unto the grass.

12 But thou, Lord, everlasting art,
and thy remembrance shall
Continually endure, and be
to generations all.

13 Thou shalt arise, and mercy have
upon thy Sion yet;
The time to favour her is come,
the time that thou hast set.
14 For in her rubbish and her stones
thy servants pleasure take;
Yea, they the very dust thereof
do favour for her sake.

15 So shall the heathen people fear
the Lord's most holy name;
And all the kings on earth shall dread
thy glory and thy fame.
16 When Sion by the mighty Lord
built up again shall be,
In glory then and majesty
to men appear shall he.

17 The prayer of the destitute
he surely will regard;
Their prayer will he not despise,
by him it shall be heard.
18 For generations yet to come
this shall be on record:
So shall the people that shall be
created praise the Lord.

19 He from his sanctuary's height
hath downward cast his eye;
And from his glorious throne in heav'n
the Lord the earth did spy;
20 That of the mournful prisoner
the groanings he might hear,
To set them free that unto death
by men appointed are:

21 That they in Sion may declare
the Lord's most holy name,
And publish in Jerusalem
the praises of the same;
22 When as the people gather shall
in troops with one accord,
When kingdoms shall assembled be
to serve the highest Lord.

23 My wonted strength and force he hath
abated in the way,
And he my days hath shortened:
24 Thus therefore did I say,
My God, in mid-time of my days
take thou me not away:
From age to age eternally
thy years endure and stay.

25 The firm foundation of the earth
of old time thou hast laid;
The heavens also are the work
which thine own hands have made.
26 Thou shalt for evermore endure,
but they shall perish all;
Yea, ev'ry one of them wax old,
like to a garment, shall:
Thou, as a vesture, shalt them change,
and they shall changed be:
27 But thou the same art, and thy years
are to eternity.
28 The children of thy servants shall
continually endure;
And in thy sight, O Lord, their seed
shall be establish'd sure.

Another of the same.

1 LORD, hear my pray'r, and let my cry
Have speedy access unto thee;
2 In day of my calamity
O hide not thou thy face from me.
Hear when I call to thee; that day
An answer speedily return:
3 My days, like smoke, consume away,
And, as an hearth, my bones do burn.

4 My heart is wounded very sore,
And withered, like grass doth fade:
I am forgetful grown therefore
To take and eat my daily bread.
5 By reason of my smart within,
And voice of my most grievous groans,
My flesh consumed is, my skin,
All parch'd, doth cleave unto my
bones.

6 The pelican of wilderness,
The owl in desert, I do match;
7 And, sparrow-like, companionless,
Upon the house's top, I watch.
8 I all day long am made a scorn,
Reproach'd by my malicious foes:
The madmen are against me sworn,
The men against me that arose.

9 For I have ashes eaten up,
To me as if they had been bread;
And with my drink I in my cup
Of bitter tears a mixture made.
10 Because thy wrath was not appeas'd,
And dreadful indignation:
Therefore it was that thou me rais'd,
And thou again didst cast me down.

11 My days are like a shade alway,
Which doth declining swiftly pass;
And I am withered away,
Much like unto the fading grass.
12 But thou, O Lord, shalt still endure,
From change and all mutation free,
And to all generations sure
Shall thy remembrance ever be.

13 Thou shalt arise, and mercy yet
Thou to mount Sion shalt extend:
Her time for favour which was set,
Behold, is now come to an end.
14 Thy saints take pleasure in her stones,
Her very dust to them is dear.
15 All heathen lands and kingly thrones
On earth thy glorious name shall fear.

16 God in his glory shall appear,
When Sion he builds and repairs.
17 He shall regard and lend his ear
Unto the needy's humble pray'rs:
Th' afflicted's pray'r he will not scorn.
18 All times this shall be on record:
And generations yet unborn
Shall praise and magnify the Lord.

19 He from his holy place look'd down,
The earth he view'd from heav'n on high;
20 To hear the pris'ner's mourning groan,
And free them that are doom'd to die;
21 That Sion, and Jerus'lem too,
His name and praise may well record,
22 When people and the kingdoms do
Assemble all to praise the Lord.

23 My strength he weaken'd in the way,
My days of life he shortened.
24 My God, O take me not away
In mid-time of my days, I said:
Thy years throughout all ages last.
25 Of old thou hast established
The earth's foundation firm and fast:
Thy mighty hands the heav'ns have made.

26 They perish shall, as garments do,
But thou shalt evermore endure;
As vestures, thou shalt change them so;
And they shall all be changed sure:
27 But from all changes thou art free;
Thy endless years do last for aye.
28 Thy servants, and their seed who be,
Establish'd shall before thee stay.

PSALM 103.

1 O THOU my soul, bless God the Lord;
and all that in me is
Be stirred up his holy name
to magnify and bless.
2 Bless, O my soul, the Lord thy God,
and not forgetful be
Of all his gracious benefits
he hath bestow'd on thee.

3 All thine iniquities who doth
most graciously forgive:
Who thy diseases all and pains
doth heal, and thee relieve.
4 Who doth redeem thy life, that thou
to death may'st not go down;
Who thee with loving-kindness doth
and tender mercies crown:

5 Who with abundance of good things
doth satisfy thy mouth;
So that, ev'n as the eagle's age,
renewed is thy youth.
6 God righteous judgment executes
for all oppressed ones.
7 His ways to Moses, he his acts
made known to Isr'el's sons.

8 The Lord our God is merciful,
and he is gracious,
Long-suffering, and slow to wrath,
in mercy plenteous.
9 He will not chide continually,
nor keep his anger still.
10 With us he dealt not as we sinn'd,
nor did requite our ill.

11 For as the heaven in its height
the earth surmounteth far;
So great to those that do him fear
his tender mercies are:
12 As far as east is distant from
the west, so far hath he
From us removed, in his love,
all our iniquity.

13 Such pity as a father hath
unto his children dear;
Like pity shews the Lord to such
as worship him in fear.
14 For he remembers we are dust,
and he our frame well knows.
15 Frail man, his days are like the grass,
as flow'r in field he grows:

16 For over it the wind doth pass,
and it away is gone;
And of the place where once it was
it shall no more be known.
17 But unto them that do him fear
God's mercy never ends;
And to their children's children still
his righteousness extends:

18 To such as keep his covenant,
and mindful are alway
Of his most just commandements,
that they may them obey.
19 The Lord prepared hath his throne
in heavens firm to stand;
And ev'ry thing that being hath
his kingdom doth command.

20 O ye his angels, that excel
in strength, bless ye the Lord;
Ye who obey what he commands,
and hearken to his word.
21 O bless and magnify the Lord,
ye glorious hosts of his;
Ye ministers, that do fulfil
whate'er his pleasure is.

22 O bless the Lord, all ye his works,
wherewith the world is stor'd
In his dominions ev'ry where.
My soul, bless thou the Lord.

PSALM 104.

1 BLESS God, my soul. O Lord my God,
thou art exceeding great;
With honour and with majesty
thou clothed art in state.
2 With light, as with a robe, thyself
thou coverest about;

And, like unto a curtain, thou
the heavens stretchest out.
3 Who of his chambers doth the beams
within the waters lay;
Who doth the clouds his chariot make,
on wings of wind make way.
4 Who flaming fire his ministers,
his angels spirits, doth make:
5 Who earth's foundations did lay,
that it should never shake.

6 Thou didst it cover with the deep,
as with a garment spread:
The waters stood above the hills,
when thou the word but said.
7 But at the voice of thy rebuke
they fled, and would not stay;
They at thy thunder's dreadful voice
did haste them fast away.

8 They by the mountains do ascend,
and by the valley-ground
Descend, unto that very place
which thou for them didst found.
9 Thou hast a bound unto them set,
that they may not pass over,
That they do not return again
the face of earth to cover.

10 He to the valleys sends the springs,
which run among the hills:
11 They to all beasts of field give drink,
wild asses drink their fills.
12 By them the fowls of heav'n shall have
their habitation,
Which do among the branches sing
with delectation.

13 He from his chambers watereth
the hills, when they are dry'd:
With fruit and increase of thy works
the earth is satisfy'd.
14 For cattle he makes grass to grow,
he makes the herb to spring
For th' use of man, that food to him
he from the earth may bring;

15 And wine, that to the heart of man
doth cheerfulness impart,
Oil that his face makes shine, and
that strengtheneth his heart. [bread
16 The trees of God are full of sap;
the cedars that do stand
In Lebanon, which planted were
by his almighty hand.

17 Birds of the air upon their boughs
do chuse their nests to make;
As for the stork, the fir-tree she
doth for her dwelling take.
18 The lofty mountains for wild goats
a place of refuge be;
The conies also to the rocks
do for their safety flee.

19 He sets the moon in heav'n, thereby
the seasons to discern:
From him the sun his certain time
of going down doth learn.
20 Thou darkness mak'st, 'tis night, then
of forests creep abroad. [beasts
21 The lions young roar for their prey,
and seek their meat from God.

22 The sun doth rise, and home they flock,
down in their dens they lie.
23 Man goes to work, his labour he
doth to the ev'ning ply.
24 How manifold, Lord, are thy works!
in wisdom wonderful
Thou ev'ry one of them hast made;
earth's of thy riches full:

25 So is this great and spacious sea,
wherein things creeping are,
Which number'd cannot be; and beasts
both great and small are there.
26 There ships go; there thou mak'st to
that leviathan great. [play
27 These all wait on thee, that thou may'st
in due time give them meat.

28 That which thou givest unto them
they gather for their food;
Thine hand thou open'st lib'rally,
they filled are with good.
29 Thou hid'st thy face; they troubled
their breath thou tak'st away; [are
Then do they die, and to their dust
return again do they.

30 Thy quick'ning spirit thou send'st
then they created be; [forth,
And then the earth's decayed face
renewed is by thee.
31 The glory of the mighty Lord
continue shall for ever:
The Lord JEHOVAH shall rejoice
in all his works together.

32 Earth, as affrighted, trembleth all,
if he on it but look;
And if the mountains he but touch,
they presently do smoke.
33 I will sing to the Lord most high,
so long as I shall live;
And while I being have I shall
to my God praises give.

34 Of him my meditation shall
sweet thoughts to me afford;
And as for me, I will rejoice
in God, my only Lord.
35 From earth let sinners be consum'd,
let ill men no more be.
O thou my soul, bless thou the Lord.
Praise to the Lord give ye.

PSALM 105.

1 GIVE thanks to God, call on his name;
to men his deeds make known.
2 Sing ye to him, sing psalms; proclaim
his wondrous works each one.

3 See that ye in his holy name
to glory do accord;
And let the heart of ev'ry one
rejoice that seeks the Lord.

4 The Lord Almighty, and his strength,
with stedfast hearts seek ye:
His blessed and his gracious face
seek ye continually.
5 Think on the works that he hath done,
which admiration breed;
His wonders, and the judgments all
which from his mouth proceed;

6 O ye that are of Abr'ham's race,
his servant well approv'n;
And ye that Jacob's children are,
whom he chose for his own.
7 Because he, and he only, is
the mighty Lord our God;
And his most righteous judgments are
in all the earth abroad.

8 His cov'nant he remember'd hath,
that it may ever stand:
To thousand generations
the word he did command.
9 Which covenant he firmly made
with faithful Abraham,
And unto Isaac, by his oath,
he did renew the same:

10 And unto Jacob, for a law,
he made it firm and sure,
A covenant to Israel,
which ever should endure.
11 He said, I'll give Canaan's land
for heritage to you;
12 While they were strangers there, and
in number very few: [few,

13 While yet they went from land to land
without a sure abode;
And while through sundry kingdoms
did wander far abroad; [they
14 Yet, notwithstanding, suffer'd he
no man to do them wrong:
Yea, for their sakes, he did reprove
kings, who were great and strong.

15 Thus did he say, Touch ye not those
that mine anointed be,
Nor do the prophets any harm
that do pertain to me.
16 He call'd for famine on the land,
he brake the staff of bread:
17 But yet he sent a man before,
by whom they should be fed;

Ev'n Joseph, whom unnat'rally
sell for a slave did they;
18 Whose feet with fetters they did hurt,
and he in irons lay;
19 Until the time that his word came
to give him liberty;
The word and purpose of the Lord
did him in prison try.

20 Then sent the king, and did command
that he enlarg'd should be:
He that the people's ruler was
did send to set him free.
21 A lord to rule his family
he rais'd him, as most fit;
To him of all that he possess'd
he did the charge commit:

22 That he might at his pleasure bind
the princes of the land;
And he might teach his senators
wisdom to understand.
23 The people then of Israel
down into Egypt came;
And Jacob also sojourned
within the land of Ham.

24 And he did greatly by his pow'r
increase his people there;
And stronger than their enemies
they by his blessing were.
25 Their heart he turned to envy
his folk maliciously,
With those that his own servants were
to deal in subtilty.

26 His servant Moses he did send,
Aaron his chosen one.
27 By these his signs and wonders great
in Ham's land were made known.
28 Darkness he sent, and made it dark;
his word they did obey.
29 He turn'd their waters into blood,
and he their fish did slay.

30 The land in plenty brought forth frogs
in chambers of their kings.
31 His word all sorts of flies and lice
in all their borders brings.
32 He hail for rain, and flaming fire
into their land he sent:
33 And he their vines and fig-trees smote;
trees of their coasts he rent.

34 He spake, and caterpillars came,
locusts did much abound;
35 Which in their land all herbs consum'd,
and all fruits of their ground.
36 He smote all first-born in their land,
chief of their strength each one.
37 With gold and silver brought them
forth,
weak in their tribes were none.

38 Egypt was glad when forth they went,
their fear on them did light.
39 He spread a cloud for covering,
and fire to shine by night.
40 They ask'd, and he brought quails:
with bread
of heav'n he filled them.
41 He open'd rocks, floods gush'd, and ran
in deserts like a stream.

42 For on his holy promise he,
and servant Abr'ham, thought.

43 With joy his people, his elect
with gladness, forth he brought.
44 And unto them the pleasant lands
he of the heathen gave;
That of the people's labour they
inheritance might have.
45 That they his statutes might observe
according to his word;
And that they might his laws obey.
Give praise unto the Lord.

PSALM 106.

1 GIVE praise and thanks unto the Lord,
for bountiful is he;
His tender mercy doth endure
unto eternity.
2 God's mighty works who can express?
or shew forth all his praise?
3 Blessed are they that judgment keep,
and justly do always.
4 Remember me, Lord, with that love
which thou to thine dost bear;
With thy salvation, O my God,
to visit me draw near:
5 That I thy chosen's good may see,
and in their joy rejoice;
And may with thine inheritance
triumph with cheerful voice.
6 We with our fathers sinned have,
and of iniquity
Too long we have the workers been;
we have done wickedly.
7 The wonders great, which thou, O Lord,
didst work in Egypt land,
Our fathers, though they saw, yet them
they did not understand:
And they thy mercies' multitude
kept not in memory;
But at the sea, ev'n the Red sea,
provok'd him grievously.
8 Nevertheless he saved them,
ev'n for his own name's sake;
That so he might to be well known
his mighty power make.
9 When he the Red sea did rebuke,
then dried up it was:
Through depths, as through the wilderness,
he safely made them pass.
10 From hands of those that hated them
he did his people save;
And from the en'my's cruel hand
to them redemption gave.
11 The waters overwhelm'd their foes;
not one was left alive.
12 Then they believ'd his word, and praise
to him in songs did give.
13 But soon did they his mighty works
forget unthankfully,
And on his counsel and his will
did not wait patiently;
14 But much did lust in wilderness,
and God in desert tempt.
15 He gave them what they sought, but to
their soul he leanness sent.
16 And against Moses in the camp
their envy did appear;
At Aaron they, the saint of God,
envious also were.
17 Therefore the earth did open wide,
and Dathan did devour,
And all Abiram's company
did cover in that hour.
18 Likewise among their company
a fire was kindled then;
And so the hot consuming flame
burnt up these wicked men.
19 Upon the hill of Horeb they
an idol-calf did frame,
A molten image they did make,
and worshipped the same.
20 And thus their glory, and their God,
most vainly changed they
Into the likeness of an ox
that eateth grass or hay.
21 They did forget the mighty God,
that had their saviour been,
By whom such great things brought
they had in Egypt seen.
22 In Ham's land he did wondrous works,
things terrible did he,
When he his mighty hand and arm
stretch'd out at the Red sea.
23 Then said he, He would them destroy,
had not, his wrath to stay,
His chosen Moses stood in breach,
that them he should not slay.
24 Yea, they despis'd the pleasant land,
believed not his word:
25 But in their tents they murmured,
not heark'ning to the Lord.
26 Therefore in desert them to slay
he lifted up his hand:
27 'Mong nations to o'erthrow their seed,
and scatter in each land.
28 They unto Baal-peor did
themselves associate;
The sacrifices of the dead
they did profanely eat.
29 Thus, by their lewd inventions,
they did provoke his ire;
And then upon them suddenly
the plague brake in as fire.
30 Then Phin'has rose, and justice did,
and so the plague did cease;
31 That to all ages counted was
to him for righteousness.
32 And at the waters, where they strove,
they did him angry make,
In such sort, that it fared ill
with Moses for their sake:

33 Because they there his spirit meek
provoked bitterly,
So that he utter'd with his lips
words unadvisedly.

34 Nor, as the Lord commanded them,
did they the nations slay:
35 But with the heathen mingled were,
and learn'd of them their way.
36 And they their idols serv'd, which did
a snare unto them turn.
37 Their sons and daughters they to dev'ls
in sacrifice did burn.

38 In their own children's guiltless blood
their hands they did imbrue,
Whom to Canaan's idols they
for sacrifices slew:
So was the land defil'd with blood.
39 They stain'd with their own way,
And with their own inventions
a whoring they did stray.

40 Against his people kindled was
the wrath of God therefore,
Insomuch that he did his own
inheritance abhor.
41 He gave them to the heathen's hand;
their foes did them command.
42 Their en'mies them oppress'd, they
made subject to their hand. [were

43 He many times deliver'd them;
but with their counsel so
They him provok'd, that for their sin
they were brought very low.
44 Yet their affliction he beheld,
when he did hear their cry:
45 And he for them his covenant
did call to memory;
After his mercies' multitude
46 he did repent: And made
Them to be pity'd of all those
who did them captive lead.
47 O Lord our God, us save, and gather
the heathen from among,
That we thy holy name may praise
in a triumphant song.

48 Bless'd be JEHOVAH, Isr'el's God,
to all eternity:
Let all the people say, Amen.
Praise to the Lord give ye.

PSALM 107.

1 PRAISE God, for he is good: for
his mercies lasting be. [still
2 Let God's redeem'd say so, whom he
from th' en'my's hand did free;
3 And gather'd them out of the lands,
from north, south, east, and west.
4 They stray'd in desert's pathless way,
no city found to rest.

5 For thirst and hunger in them faints
6 their soul. When straits them press,
They cry unto the Lord, and he
them frees from their distress.
7 Them also in a way to walk
that right is he did guide,
That they might to a city go,
wherein they might abide.

8 O that men to the Lord would give
praise for his goodness then,
And for his works of wonder done
unto the sons of men!
9 For he the soul that longing is
doth fully satisfy;
With goodness he the hungry soul
doth fill abundantly.

10 Such as shut up in darkness deep,
and in death's shade abide,
Whom strongly hath affliction bound,
and irons fast have ty'd:
11 Because against the words of God
they wrought rebelliously,
And they the counsel did contemn
of him that is most High:

12 Their heart he did bring down with
they fell, no help could have. [grief,
13 In trouble then they cry'd to God,
he them from straits did save.
14 He out of darkness did them bring,
and from death's shade them take;
These bands, wherewith they had been
bound,
asunder quite he brake.

15 O that men to the Lord would give
praise for his goodness then,
And for his works of wonder done
unto the sons of men!
16 Because the mighty gates of brass
in pieces he did tear,
By him in sunder also cut
the bars of iron were.

17 Fools, for their sin, and their offence,
do sore affliction bear;
18 All kind of meat their soul abhors;
they to death's gates draw near.
19 In grief they cry to God; he saves
them from their miseries.
20 He sends his word, them heals, and
from their destructions frees. [them

21 O that men to the Lord would give
praise for his goodness then,
And for his works of wonder done
unto the sons of men!
22 And let them sacrifice to him
off'rings of thankfulness;
And let them shew abroad his works
in songs of joyfulness.

23 Who go to sea in ships, and in
great waters trading be,
24 Within the deep these men God's
and his great wonders see. [works

25 For he commands, and forth in haste
the stormy tempest flies,
Which makes the sea with rolling
aloft to swell and rise. [waves

26 They mount to heav'n, then to the
they do go down again; [depths
Their soul doth faint and melt away
with trouble and with pain.
27 They reel and stagger like one drunk,
at their wit's end they be:
28 Then they to God in trouble cry,
who them from straits doth free.

29 The storm is chang'd into a calm
at his command and will;
So that the waves, which rag'd before,
now quiet are and still.
30 Then are they glad, because at rest
and quiet now they be:
So to the haven he them brings,
which they desir'd to see.

31 O that men to the Lord would give
praise for his goodness then,
And for his works of wonder done
unto the sons of men!
32 Among the people gathered
let them exalt his name;
Among assembled elders spread
his most renowned fame.

33 He to dry land turns water-springs,
and floods to wilderness;
34 For sins of those that dwell therein,
fat land to barrenness.
35 The burnt and parched wilderness
to water-pools he brings;
The ground that was dry'd up before
he turns to water-springs:

36 And there, for dwelling, he a place
doth to the hungry give,
That they a city may prepare
commodiously to live.
37 There sow they fields, and vineyards
to yield fruits of increase. [plant,
38 His blessing makes them multiply,
lets not their beasts decrease.

39 Again they are diminished,
and very low brought down,
Through sorrow and affliction,
and great oppression.
40 He upon princes pours contempt,
and causeth them to stray,
And wander in a wilderness,
wherein there is no way.

41 Yet setteth he the poor on high
from all his miseries,
And he, much like unto a flock,
doth make him families.
42 They that are righteous shall rejoice,
when they the same shall see;
And, as ashamed, stop her mouth
shall all iniquity.

43 Whoso is wise, and will these things
observe, and them record,
Ev'n they shall understand the love
and kindness of the Lord.

PSALM 108.

1 MY heart is fix'd, Lord; I will sing,
and with my glory praise.
2 Awake up psaltery and harp;
myself I'll early raise.
3 I'll praise thee 'mong the people, Lord;
'mong nations sing will I:
4 For above heav'n thy mercy's great,
thy truth doth reach the sky.

5 Be thou above the heavens, Lord,
exalted gloriously;
Thy glory all the earth above
be lifted up on high.
6 That those who thy beloved are
delivered may be,
O do thou save with thy right hand,
and answer give to me.

7 God in his holiness hath said,
Herein I will take pleasure;
Shechem I will divide, and forth
will Succoth's valley measure.
8 Gilead I claim as mine by right;
Manasseh mine shall be;
Ephraim is of my head the strength;
Judah gives laws for me;

9 Moab's my washing-pot; my shoe
I'll over Edom throw;
Over the land of Palestine
I will in triumph go.
10 O who is he will bring me to
the city fortify'd?
O who is he that to the land
of Edom will me guide?

11 O God, thou who hadst cast us off,
this thing wilt thou not do?
And wilt not thou, ev'n thou, O God,
forth with our armies go?
12 Do thou from trouble give us help,
for helpless is man's aid.
13 Through God we shall do valiantly;
our foes he shall down tread.

PSALM 109.

1 O THOU the God of all my praise,
do thou not hold thy peace;
2 For mouths of wicked men to speak
against me do not cease:
The mouths of vile deceitful men
against me open'd be;
And with a false and lying tongue
they have accused me.

3 They did beset me round about
with words of hateful spight;
And though to them no cause I gave,
against me they did fight.

4 They for my love became my foes,
but I me set to pray.
5 Evil for good, hatred for love,
to me they did repay.

6 Set thou the wicked over him;
and upon his right hand
Give thou his greatest enemy,
ev'n Satan, leave to stand.
7 And when by thee he shall be judg'd,
let him condemned be;
And let his pray'r be turn'd to sin,
when he shall call on thee.

8 Few be his days, and in his room
his charge another take.
9 His children let be fatherless,
his wife a widow make.
10 His children let be vagabonds,
and beg continually;
And from their places desolate
seek bread for their supply.

11 Let covetous extortioners
catch all he hath away:
Of all for which he labour'd hath
let strangers make a prey.
12 Let there be none to pity him,
let there be none at all
That on his children fatherless
will let his mercy fall.

13 Let his posterity from earth
cut off for ever be,
And in the foll'wing age their name
be blotted out by thee
14 Let God his father's wickedness
still to remembrance call;
And never let his mother's sin
be blotted out at all.

15 But let them all before the Lord
appear continually,
That he may wholly from the earth
cut off their memory.
16 Because he mercy minded not,
but persecuted still
The poor and needy, that he might
the broken-hearted kill.

17 As he in cursing pleasure took,
so let it to him fall;
As he delighted not to bless,
so bless him not at all.
18 As cursing he like clothes put on,
into his bowels so,
Like water, and into his bones,
like oil, down let it go.

19 Like to the garment let it be
which doth himself array,
And for a girdle, wherewith he
is girt about alway.
20 From God let this be their reward
that en'mies are to me,
And their reward that speak against
my soul maliciously.

21 But do thou, for thine own name's sake,
O God the Lord, for me:
Sith good and sweet thy mercy is,
from trouble set me free.
22 For I am poor and indigent,
afflicted sore am I,
My heart within me also is
wounded exceedingly.

23 I pass like a declining shade,
am like the locust tost:
24 My knees through fasting weaken'd
my flesh hath fatness lost. [are,
25 I also am a vile reproach
unto them made to be;
And they that did upon me look
did shake their heads at me.

26 O do thou help and succour me,
who art my God and Lord:
And, for thy tender mercy's sake,
safety to me afford:
27 That thereby they may know that this
is thy almighty hand;
And that thou, Lord, hast done the
they may well understand. [same,

28 Although they curse with spite, yet, Lord,
bless thou with loving voice:
Let them asham'd be when they rise;
thy servant let rejoice.
29 Let thou mine adversaries all
with shame be clothed over;
And let their own confusion
them, as a mantle, cover.

30 But as for me, I with my mouth
will greatly praise the Lord;
And I among the multitude
his praises will record.
31 For he shall stand at his right hand
who is in poverty,
To save him from all those that would
condemn his soul to die.

PSALM 110.

1 THE LORD did say unto my Lord,
Sit thou at my right hand,
Until I make thy foes a stool,
whereon thy feet may stand.
2 The Lord shall out of Sion send
the rod of thy great pow'r:
In midst of all thine enemies
be thou the governor.

3 A willing people in thy day
of pow'r shall come to thee,
In holy beauties from morn's womb;
thy youth like dew shall be.
4 The Lord himself hath made an oath,
and will repent him never,
Of th' order of Melchisedec
thou art a priest for ever.

5 The glorious and mighty Lord,
that sits at thy right hand,

Shall, in his day of wrath, strike through
kings that do him withstand.
6 He shall among the heathen judge,
he shall with bodies dead
The places fill: o'er many lands
he wound shall ev'ry head.

7 The brook that runneth in the way
with drink shall him supply;
And, for this cause, in triumph he
shall lift his head on high.

PSALM 111.

1 PRAISE ye the Lord: with my whole heart
I will God's praise declare,
Where the assemblies of the just
and congregations are.
2 The whole works of the Lord our God
are great above all measure,
Sought out they are of ev'ry one
that doth therein take pleasure.

3 His work most honourable is,
most glorious and pure,
And his untainted righteousness
for ever doth endure.
4 His works most wonderful he hath
made to be thought upon:
The Lord is gracious, and he is
full of compassion.

5 He giveth meat unto all those
that truly do him fear;
And evermore his covenant
he in his mind will bear.
6 He did the power of his works
unto his people show,
When he the heathen's heritage
upon them did bestow.

7 His handy-works are truth and right;
all his commands are sure:
8 And, done in truth and uprightness,
they evermore endure.
9 He sent redemption to his folk;
his covenant for aye
He did command: holy his name
and rev'rend is alway.

10 Wisdom's beginning is God's fear:
good understanding they
Have all that his commands fulfil:
his praise endures for aye.

PSALM 112.

1 PRAISE ye the Lord. The man is bless'd
that fears the Lord aright,
He who in his commandements
doth greatly take delight.
2 His seed and offspring powerful
shall be the earth upon:
Of upright men blessed shall be
the generation.

3 Riches and wealth shall ever be
within his house in store;
And his unspotted righteousness
endures for evermore.
4 Unto the upright light doth rise,
though he in darkness be:
Compassionate, and merciful,
and righteous, is he.

5 A good man doth his favour shew,
and doth to others lend:
He with discretion his affairs
will guide unto the end.
6 Surely there is not any thing
that ever shall him move:
The righteous man's memorial
shall everlasting prove.

7 When he shall evil tidings hear,
he shall not be afraid:
His heart is fix'd, his confidence
upon the Lord is stay'd.
8 His heart is firmly stablished,
afraid he shall not be,
Until upon his enemies
he his desire shall see.

9 He hath dispers'd, giv'n to the poor;
his righteousness shall be
To ages all; with honour shall
his horn be raised high.
10 The wicked shall it see, and fret,
his teeth gnash, melt away:
What wicked men do most desire
shall utterly decay.

PSALM 113.

1 PRAISE God: ye servants of the Lord,
O praise, the Lord's name praise.
2 Yea, blessed be the name of God
from this time forth always.
3 From rising sun to where it sets,
God's name is to be prais'd.
4 Above all nations God is high,
'bove heav'ns his glory rais'd.

5 Unto the Lord our God that dwells
on high, who can compare?
6 Himself that humbleth things to see
in heav'n and earth that are.
7 He from the dust doth raise the poor,
that very low doth lie;
And from the dunghill lifts the man
oppress'd with poverty;

8 That he may highly him advance,
and with the princes set;
With those that of his people are
the chief, ev'n princes great.
9 The barren woman house to keep
he maketh, and to be
Of sons a mother full of joy.
Praise to the Lord give ye.

PSALM 114.

1 WHEN Isr'el out of Egypt went,
and did his dwelling change,
When Jacob's house went out from those
that were of language strange,
2 He Judah did his sanctuary,
his kingdom Isr'el make:
3 The sea it saw, and quickly fled,
Jordan was driven back.

4 Like rams the mountains, and like the hills skipp'd to and fro. [lambs
5 O sea, why fledd'st thou? Jordan, back why wast thou driven so?
6 Ye mountains great, wherefore was it that ye did skip like rams?
And wherefore was it, little hills, that ye did leap like lambs?

7 O at the presence of the Lord, earth, tremble thou for fear,
While as the presence of the God of Jacob doth appear:
8 Who from the hard and stony rock did standing water bring;
And by his pow'r did turn the flint into a water-spring.

PSALM 115.

1 NOT unto us, Lord, not to us,
but do thou glory take
Unto thy name, ev'n for thy truth, and for thy mercy's sake.
2 O wherefore should the heathen say,
Where is their God now gone?
3 But our God in the heavens is,
what pleas'd him he hath done.

4 Their idols silver are and gold,
work of men's hands they be.
5 Mouths have they, but they do not speak;
and eyes, but do not see; [speak;
6 Ears have they, but they do not hear;
noses, but savour not;
7 Hands, feet, but handle not, nor walk;
nor speak they through their throat.

8 Like them their makers are, and all on them their trust that build.
9 O Isr'el, trust thou in the Lord,
he is their help and shield.
10 O Aaron's house, trust in the Lord,
their help and shield is he.
11 Ye that fear God, trust in the Lord,
their help and shield he'll be.

12 The Lord of us hath mindful been,
and he will bless us still:
He will the house of Isr'el bless,
bless Aaron's house he will.
13 Both small and great, that fear the Lord,
he will them surely bless.
14 The Lord will you, you and your seed,
aye more and more increase.

15 O blessed are ye of the Lord,
who made the earth and heav'n.
16 The heav'n, ev'n heav'ns, are God's, but earth to men's sons hath giv'n. [he
17 The dead, nor who to silence go,
God's praise do not record.
18 But henceforth we for ever will
bless God. Praise ye the Lord.

PSALM 116.

1 I LOVE the Lord, because my voice
and prayers he did hear.
2 I, while I live, will call on him,
who bow'd to me his ear.
3 Of death the cords and sorrows did about me compass round;
The pains of hell took hold on me,
I grief and trouble found.

4 Upon the name of God the Lord
then did I call, and say,
Deliver thou my soul, O Lord,
I do thee humbly pray.
5 God merciful and righteous is,
yea, gracious is our Lord.
6 God saves the meek: I was brought
he did me help afford. [low,

7 O thou my soul, do thou return
unto thy quiet rest;
For largely, lo, the Lord to thee
his bounty hath exprest.
8 For my distressed soul from death
deliver'd was by thee:
Thou didst my mourning eyes from
my feet from falling, free. [tears,

9 I in the land of those that live
will walk the Lord before.
10 I did believe, therefore I spake:
I was afflicted sore.
11 I said, when I was in my haste,
that all men liars be.
12 What shall I render to the Lord
for all his gifts to me?

13 I'll of salvation take the cup,
on God's name will I call:
14 I'll pay my vows now to the Lord
before his people all.
15 Dear in God's sight is his saints' death.
16 Thy servant, Lord, am I;
Thy servant sure, thine handmaid's
my bands thou didst untie. [son:

17 Thank-offrings I to thee will give,
and on God's name will call.
18 I'll pay my vows now to the Lord
before his people all:
19 Within the courts of God's own house,
within the midst of thee,
O city of Jerusalem.
Praise to the Lord give ye.

PSALM 117.

1 O GIVE ye praise unto the Lord,
all nations that be;

Likewise, ye people all, accord
his name to magnify.
2 For great to us-ward ever are
his loving-kindnesses:
His truth endures for evermore.
The Lord O do ye bless.

PSALM 118.

1 O PRAISE the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy lasteth ever.
2 Let those of Israel now say,
His mercy faileth never.
3 Now let the house of Aaron say,
His mercy lasteth ever.
4 Let those that fear the Lord now say,
His mercy faileth never.

5 I in distress call'd on the Lord;
the Lord did answer me:
He in a large place did me set,
from trouble made me free.
6 The mighty Lord is on my side,
I will not be afraid;
For any thing that man can do
I shall not be dismay'd.

7 The Lord doth take my part with them
that help to succour me:
Therefore on those that do me hate
I my desire shall see.
8 Better it is to trust in God
than trust in man's defence;
9 Better to trust in God than make
princes our confidence.

10 The nations, joining all in one,
did compass me about:
But in the Lord's most holy name
I shall them all root out.
11 They compass'd me about; I say,
they compass'd me about:
But in the Lord's most holy name
I shall them all root out.

12 Like bees they compass'd me about;
like unto thorns that flame
They quenched are: for them shall I
destroy in God's own name.
13 Thou sore hast thrust, that I might
but my Lord helped me. [fall,
14 God my salvation is become,
my strength and song is he.

15 In dwellings of the righteous
is heard the melody
Of joy and health: the Lord's right
doth ever valiantly. [hand
16 The right hand of the mighty Lord
exalted is on high;
The right hand of the mighty Lord
doth ever valiantly.

17 I shall not die, but live, and shall
the works of God discover.
18 The Lord hath me chastised sore,
but not to death giv'n over.

19 O set ye open unto me
the gates of righteousness;
Then will I enter into them,
and I the Lord will bless.
20 This is the gate of God, by it
the just shall enter in.
21 Thee will I praise, for thou me heard'st,
and hast my safety been.
22 That stone is made head corner-stone,
which builders did despise:
23 This is the doing of the Lord,
and wondrous in our eyes.
24 This is the day God made, in it
we'll joy triumphantly.
25 Save now, I pray thee, Lord; I pray,
send now prosperity.
26 Blessed is he in God's great name
that cometh us to save:
We, from the house which to the Lord
pertains, you blessed have.
27 God is the Lord, who unto us
hath made light to arise:
Bind ye unto the altar's horns
with cords the sacrifice.
28 Thou art my God, I'll thee exalt;
my God, I will thee praise.
29 Give thanks to God, for he is good:
his mercy lasts always.

PSALM 119.

ALEPH. *The First Part.*

1 BLESSED are they that undefil'd,
and straight are in the way;
Who in the Lord's most holy law
do walk, and do not stray.
2 Blessed are they who to observe
his statutes are inclin'd;
And who do seek the living God
with their whole heart and mind.
3 Such in his ways do walk, and they
do no iniquity.
4 Thou hast commanded us to keep
thy precepts carefully.
5 O that thy statutes to observe
thou would'st my ways direct!
6 Then shall I not be sham'd, when I
thy precepts all respect.
7 Then with integrity of heart
thee will I praise and bless,
When I the judgments all have learn'd
of thy pure righteousness.
8 That I will keep thy statutes all
firmly resolv'd have I:
O do not then, most gracious God,
forsake me utterly.

BETH. *The Second Part.*

9 By what means shall a young man
his way to purify? [learn
If he according to thy word
thereto attentive be.

10 Unfeignedly thee have I sought
with all my soul and heart:
O let me not from the right path
of thy commands depart.

11 Thy word I in my heart have hid,
that I offend not thee.
12 O Lord, thou ever blessed art,
thy statutes teach thou me.
13 The judgments of thy mouth each one
my lips declared have:
14 More joy thy testimonies' way
than riches all me gave.

15 I will thy holy precepts make
my meditation;
And carefully I'll have respect
unto thy ways each one.
16 Upon thy statutes my delight
shall constantly be set:
And, by thy grace, I never will
thy holy word forget.

GIMEL. *The Third Part.*

17 With me thy servant, in thy grace,
deal bountifully, Lord;
That by thy favour I may live,
and duly keep thy word.
18 Open mine eyes, that of thy law
the wonders I may see.
19 I am a stranger on this earth,
hide not thy laws from me.

20 My soul within me breaks, and doth
much fainting still endure,
Through longing that it hath all times
unto thy judgments pure.
21 Thou hast rebuk'd the cursed proud,
who from thy precepts swerve.
22 Reproach and shame remove from me,
for I thy laws observe.

23 Against me princes spake with spite,
while they in council sat:
But I thy servant did upon
thy statutes meditate.
24 My comfort, and my heart's delight,
thy testimonies be;
And they, in all my doubts and fears,
are counsellors to me.

DALETH. *The Fourth Part.*

25 My soul to dust cleaves: quicken me,
according to thy word.
26 My ways I shew'd, and me thou
heard'st:
teach me thy statutes, Lord.
27 The way of thy commandements
make me aright to know;
So all thy works that wondrous are
I shall to others show.

28 My soul doth melt, and drop away,
for heaviness and grief:
To me according to thy word,
give strength, and send relief.

29 From me the wicked way of lies
let far removed be;
And graciously thy holy law
do thou grant unto me.

30 I chosen have the perfect way
of truth and verity:
Thy judgments that most righteous are
before me laid have I.
31 I to thy testimonies cleave;
shame do not on me cast.
32 I'll run thy precepts' way, when thou
my heart enlarged hast.

HE. *The Fifth Part.*

33 Teach me, O Lord, the perfect way
of thy precepts divine,
And to observe it to the end
I shall my heart incline.
34 Give understanding unto me,
so keep thy law shall I;
Yea, ev'n with my whole heart I shall
observe it carefully.

35 In thy law's path make me to go;
for I delight therein.
36 My heart unto thy testimonies,
and not to greed, incline.
37 Turn thou away my sight and eyes
from viewing vanity;
And in thy good and holy way
be pleas'd to quicken me.

38 Confirm to me thy gracious word,
which I did gladly hear,
Ev'n to thy servant, Lord, who is
devoted to thy fear.
39 Turn thou away my fear'd reproach;
for good thy judgments be.
40 Lo, for thy precepts I have long'd;
in thy truth quicken me.

VAU. *The Sixth Part.*

41 Let thy sweet mercies also come
and visit me, O Lord;
Ev'n thy benign salvation,
according to thy word.
42 So shall I have wherewith I may
give him an answer just,
Who spitefully reproacheth me;
for in thy word I trust.

43 The word of truth out of my mouth
take thou not utterly;
For on thy judgments righteous
my hope doth still rely.
44 So shall I keep for evermore
thy law continually.
45 And, sith that I thy precepts seek,
I'll walk at liberty.

46 I'll speak thy word to kings, and I
with shame shall not be mov'd
47 And will delight myself always
in thy laws, which I lov'd.

48 To thy commandments, which I lov'd,
my hands lift up I will;
And I will also meditate
upon thy statutes still.

ZAIN. *The Seventh Part.*

49 Remember, Lord, thy gracious word
thou to thy servant spake,
Which, for a ground of my sure hope,
thou causedst me to take.
50 This word of thine my comfort is
in mine affliction:
For in my straits I am reviv'd
by this thy word alone.

51 The men whose hearts with pride are
did greatly me deride; [stuff'd
Yet from thy straight commande-
I have not turn'd aside. [ments
52 Thy judgments righteous, O Lord,
which thou of old forth gave,
I did remember, and myself
by them comforted have.

53 Horror took hold on me, because
ill men thy law forsake.
54 I in my house of pilgrimage
thy laws my songs do make.
55 Thy name by night, Lord, I did mind,
and I have kept thy law.
56 And this I had, because thy word
I kept, and stood in awe.

CHETH. *The Eighth Part.*

57 Thou my sure portion art alone,
which I did chuse, O Lord:
I have resolv'd, and said, that I
would keep thy holy word.
58 With my whole heart I did entreat
thy face and favour free:
According to thy gracious word
be merciful to me.

59 I thought upon my former ways,
and did my life well try;
And to thy testimonies pure
my feet then turned I.
60 I did not stay, nor linger long,
as those that slothful are:
But hastily thy laws to keep
myself I did prepare.

61 Bands of ill men me robb'd; yet I
thy precepts did not slight.
62 I'll rise at midnight thee to praise,
ev'n for thy judgments right.
63 I am companion to all those
who fear, and thee obey.
64 O Lord, thy mercy fills the earth:
teach me thy laws, I pray.

TETH. *The Ninth Part.*

65 Well hast thou with thy servant dealt,
as thou didst promise give.
66 Good judgment me, and knowledge
for I thy word believe. [teach,

67 Ere I afflicted was I stray'd;
but now I keep thy word.
68 Both good thou art, and good thou
do'st:
teach me thy statutes, Lord.

69 The men that are puff'd up with pride
against me forg'd a lie;
Yet thy commandements observe
with my whole heart will I.
70 Their hearts, through worldly ease and
wealth,
as fat as grease they be:
But in thy holy law I take
delight continually.

71 It hath been very good for me
that I afflicted was,
That I might well instructed be,
and learn thy holy laws.
72 The word that cometh from thy mouth
is better unto me
Than many thousands and great sums
of gold and silver be.

JOD. *The Tenth Part.*

73 Thou mad'st and fashion'dst me: thy
laws
to know give wisdom, Lord.
74 So who thee fear shall joy to see
me trusting in thy word.
75 That very right thy judgments are
I know, and do confess;
And that thou hast afflicted me
in truth and faithfulness.

76 O let thy kindness merciful
I pray thee, comfort me,
As to thy servant faithfully
was promised by thee.
77 And let thy tender mercies come
to me, that I may live;
Because thy holy laws to me
sweet delectation give.

78 Lord, let the proud ashamed be;
for they, without a cause,
With me perversely dealt: but I
will muse upon thy laws.
79 Let such as fear thee, and have known
thy statutes, turn to me.
80 My heart let in thy laws be sound,
that sham'd I never be.

CAPH. *The Eleventh Part.*

81 My soul for thy salvation faints;
yet I thy word believe.
82 Mine eyes fail for thy word: I say,
When wilt thou comfort give?
83 For like a bottle I'm become,
that in the smoke is set:
I'm black, and parch'd with grief; yet I
thy statutes not forget.
84 How many are thy servant's days?
when wilt thou execute

Just judgment on these wicked men
that do me persecute?
85 The proud have digged pits for me,
which is against thy laws.
86 Thy words all faithful are: help me,
pursu'd without a cause.

87 They so consum'd me, that on earth
my life they scarce did leave:
Thy precepts yet forsook I not,
but close to them did cleave.
88 After thy loving-kindness, Lord,
me quicken, and preserve:
The testimony of thy mouth
so shall I still observe.

LAMED. *The Twelfth Part.*

89 Thy word for ever is, O Lord,
in heaven settled fast;
90 Unto all generations
thy faithfulness doth last:
The earth thou hast established,
and it abides by thee.
91 This day they stand as thou or-
for all thy servants be. [dain'dst;

92 Unless in thy most perfect law
my soul delights had found,
I should have perished, when as
my troubles did abound.
93 Thy precepts I will ne'er forget;
they quick'ning to me brought.
94 Lord, I am thine; O save thou me:
thy precepts I have sought.

95 For me the wicked have laid wait,
me seeking to destroy:
But I thy testimonies true
consider will with joy.
96 An end of all perfection
here have I seen, O God:
But as for thy commandement,
it is exceeding broad.

MEM. *The Thirteenth Part.*

97 O how love I thy law! it is
my study all the day:
98 It makes me wiser than my foes;
for it doth with me stay.
99 Than all my teachers now I have
more understanding far;
Because my meditation
thy testimonies are.

100 In understanding I excel
those that are ancients;
For I endeavoured to keep
all thy commandements.
101 My feet from each ill way I stay'd,
that I may keep thy word.
102 I from thy judgments have not
swerv'd;
for thou hast taught me, Lord.

103 How sweet unto my taste, O Lord,
are all thy words of truth!
Yea, I do find them sweeter far
than honey to my mouth.
104 I through thy precepts, that are pure,
do understanding get;
I therefore ev'ry way that's false
with all my heart do hate.

NUN. *The Fourteenth Part.*

105 Thy word is to my feet a lamp,
and to my path a light.
106 I sworn have, and I will perform,
to keep thy judgments right.
107 I am with sore affliction
ev'n overwhelm'd, O Lord:
In mercy raise and quicken me,
according to thy word.

108 The free-will-off'rings of my mouth
accept, I thee beseech:
And unto me thy servant, Lord,
thy judgments clearly teach.
109 Though still my soul be in my hand,
thy laws I'll not forget.
110 I err'd not from them, though for me
the wicked snares did set.

111 I of thy testimonies have
above all things made choice,
To be my heritage for aye;
for they my heart rejoice.
112 I carefully inclined have
my heart still to attend;
That I thy statutes may perform
alway unto the end.

SAMECH. *The Fifteenth Part*

113 I hate the thoughts of vanity,
but love thy law do I.
114 My shield and hiding-place thou art:
I on thy word rely.
115 All ye that evil-doers are
from me depart away;
For the commandments of my God
I purpose to obey.

116 According to thy faithful word
uphold and stablish me,
That I may live, and of my hope
ashamed never be.
117 Hold thou me up, so shall I be
in peace and safety still;
And to thy statutes have respect
continually I will.

118 Thou tread'st down all that love to
stray;
false their deceit doth prove.
119 Lewd men, like dross, away thou
therefore thy law I love. [putt'st;
120 For fear of thee my very flesh
doth tremble, all dismay'd;
And of thy righteous judgments, Lord,
my soul is much afraid.

AIN. *The Sixteenth Part.*

121 To all men I have judgment done,
performing justice right;

Then let me not be left unto
my fierce oppressors' might.
122 For good unto thy servant, Lord,
thy servant's surety be:
From the oppression of the proud
do thou deliver me.

123 Mine eyes do fail with looking long
for thy salvation,
The word of thy pure righteousness
while I do wait upon.
124 In mercy with thy servant deal,
thy laws me teach and show.
125 I am thy servant, wisdom give,
that I thy laws may know.

126 'Tis time thou work, Lord; for they
made void thy law divine. [have
127 Therefore thy precepts more I love
than gold, yea, gold most fine.
128 Concerning all things thy commands
all right I judge therefore;
And ev'ry false and wicked way
I perfectly abhor.

PE. *The Seventeenth Part.*

129 Thy statutes, Lord, are wonderful,
my soul them keeps with care.
130 The entrance of thy words gives light,
makes wise who simple are.
131 My mouth I have wide opened,
and panted earnestly,
While after thy commandements
I long'd exceedingly.

132 Look on me, Lord, and merciful
do thou unto me prove,
As thou art wont to do to those
thy name who truly love.
133 O let my footsteps in thy word
aright still order'd be:
Let no iniquity obtain
dominion over me.

134 From man's oppression save thou
so keep thy laws I will. [me;
135 Thy face make on thy servant shine;
teach me thy statutes still.
136 Rivers of waters from mine eyes
did run down, when I saw
How wicked men run on in sin,
and do not keep thy law.

TSADDI. *The Eighteenth Part.*

137 O Lord, thou art most righteous;
thy judgments are upright.
138 Thy testimonies thou command'st
most faithful are and right.
139 My zeal hath ev'n consumed me,
because mine enemies
Thy holy words forgotten have,
and do thy laws despise.

140 Thy word's most pure, therefore on it
thy servant's love is set.
141 Small, and despis'd I am, yet I
thy precepts not forget.
142 Thy righteousness is righteousness
which ever doth endure:
Thy holy law, Lord, also is
the very truth most pure.

143 Trouble and anguish have me found,
and taken hold on me:
Yet in my trouble my delight
thy just commandments be.
144 Eternal righteousness is in
thy testimonies all:
Lord, to me understanding give,
and ever live I shall.

KOPH. *The Nineteenth Part.*

145 With my whole heart I cry'd, Lord,
I will thy word obey. [hear;
146 I cry'd to thee; save me, and I
will keep thy laws alway.
147 I of the morning did prevent
the dawning, and did cry:
For all mine expectation
did on thy word rely.

148 Mine eyes did timeously prevent
the watches of the night,
That in thy word with careful mind
then meditate I might.
149 After thy loving-kindness hear
my voice, that calls on thee:
According to thy judgment, Lord,
revive and quicken me.

150 Who follow mischief they draw nigh;
they from thy law are far:
151 But thou art near, Lord; most firm
all thy commandments are. [truth
152 As for thy testimonies all,
of old this have I try'd,
That thou hast surely founded them
for ever to abide.

RESH. *The Twentieth Part.*

153 Consider mine affliction,
in safety do me set:
Deliver me, O Lord, for I
thy law do not forget.
154 After thy word revive thou me:
save me, and plead my cause.
155 Salvation is from sinners far;
for they seek not thy laws.

156 O Lord, both great and manifold
thy tender mercies be:
According to thy judgments just,
revive and quicken me.
157 My persecutors many are,
and foes that do combine;
Yet from thy testimonies pure
my heart doth not decline.

158 I saw transgressors, and was griev'd;
for they keep not thy word.

159 See how I love thy law! as thou
art kind, me quicken, Lord.
160 From the beginning all thy word
hath been most true and sure:
Thy righteous judgments ev'ry one
for evermore endure.

SCHIN. *The Twenty-first Part.*

161 Princes have persecuted me,
although no cause they saw:
But still of thy most holy word
my heart doth stand in awe.
162 I at thy word rejoice, as one
of spoil that finds great store.
163 Thy law I love; but lying all
I hate and do abhor.

164 Sev'n times a-day it is my care
to give due praise to thee;
Because of all thy judgments, Lord,
which righteous ever be.
165 Great peace have they who love thy
offence they shall have none. [law;
166 I hop'd for thy salvation, Lord,
and thy commands have done.

167 My soul thy testimonies pure
observed carefully;
On them my heart is set, and them
I love exceedingly.
168 Thy testimonies and thy laws
I kept with special care;
For all my works and ways each one
before thee open are.

TAU. *The Twenty-second Part.*

169 O let my earnest pray'r and cry
come near before thee, Lord:
Give understanding unto me,
according to thy word.
170 Let my request before thee come:
after thy word me free.
171 My lips shall utter praise, when thou
hast taught thy laws to me.
172 My tongue of thy most blessed word
shall speak, and it confess;
Because all thy commandements
are perfect righteousness.
173 Let thy strong hand make help to me:
thy precepts are my choice.
174 I long'd for thy salvation, Lord,
and in thy law rejoice.

175 O let my soul live, and it shall
give praises unto thee;
And let thy judgments gracious
be helpful unto me.
176 I, like a lost sheep, went astray;
thy servant seek, and find:
For thy commands I suffer'd not
to slip out of my mind.

PSALM 120.

1 IN my distress to God I cry'd,
and he gave ear to me.
2 From lying lips, and guileful tongue,
O Lord, my soul set free.
3 What shall be giv'n thee? or what shall
be done to thee, false tongue?
4 Ev'n burning coals of juniper,
sharp arrows of the strong.

5 Woe's me that I in Meseeh am
a sojourner so long;
That I in tabernacles dwell
to Kedar that belong.
6 My soul with him that hateth peace
hath long a dweller been.
7 I am for peace; but when I speak,
for battle they are keen.

PSALM 121.

1 I TO the hills will lift mine eyes,
from whence doth come mine aid.
2 My safety cometh from the Lord,
who heav'n and earth hath made.
3 Thy foot he'll not let slide, nor will
he slumber that thee keeps.
4 Behold, he that keeps Israel,
he slumbers not, nor sleeps.

5 The Lord thee keeps, the Lord thy
shade
on thy right hand doth stay:
6 The moon by night thee shall not smite,
nor yet the sun by day.
7 The Lord shall keep thy soul; he shall
preserve thee from all ill.
8 Henceforth thy going out and in
God keep for ever will.

PSALM 122.

1 I JOY'D when to the house of God,
Go up, they said to me.
2 Jerusalem, within thy gates
our feet shall standing be.
3 Jerus'lem, as a city, is
compactly built together:
4 Unto that place the tribes go up,
the tribes of God go thither:

To Isr'el's testimony, there
to God's name thanks to pay.
5 For thrones of judgment, ev'n the
thrones
of David's house, there stay.
6 Pray that Jerusalem may have
peace and felicity:
Let them that love thee and thy peace
have still prosperity.

7 Therefore I wish that peace may still
within thy walls remain,
And ever may thy palaces
prosperity retain.
8 Now, for my friends' and brethren's
sakes,
Peace be in thee, I'll say.
9 And for the house of God our Lord,
I'll seek thy good alway.

PSALM 123.

1 O THOU that dwellest in the heav'ns,
I lift mine eyes to thee.
2 Behold, as servants' eyes do look
their masters' hand to see,
As handmaid's eyes her mistress' hand;
so do our eyes attend
Upon the Lord our God, until
to us he mercy send.

3 O Lord, be gracious to us,
unto us gracious be;
Because replenish'd with contempt
exceedingly are we.
4 Our soul is fill'd with scorn of those
that at their ease abide,
And with the insolent contempt
of those that swell in pride.

PSALM 124.

1 HAD not the Lord been on our side,
may Israel now say;
2 Had not the Lord been on our side,
when men rose us to slay;
3 They had us swallow'd quick, when as
their wrath 'gainst us did flame:
4 Waters had cover'd us, our soul
had sunk beneath the stream.

5 Then had the waters, swelling high,
over our soul made way.
6 Bless'd be the Lord, who to their teeth
us gave not for a prey.
7 Our soul's escaped, as a bird
out of the fowler's snare;
The snare asunder broken is,
and we escaped are.

8 Our sure and all-sufficient help
is in JEHOVAH's name;
His name who did the heav'n create,
and who the earth did frame.

Another of the same.

1 NOW Israel
may say, and that truly,
If that the Lord
had not our cause maintain'd;
2 If that the Lord
had not our right sustain'd,
When cruel men
against us furiously
Rose up in wrath,
to make of us their prey;

3 Then certainly
they had devour'd us all,
And swallow'd quick,
for ought that we could deem;
Such was their rage,
as we might well esteem.
4 And as fierce floods
before them all things drown,
So had they brought
our soul to death quite down.

5 The raging streams,
with their proud swelling waves,
Had then our soul
o'erwhelmed in the deep.
6 But bless'd be God,
who doth us safely keep,
And hath not giv'n
us for a living prey
Unto their teeth,
and bloody cruelty.

7 Ev'n as a bird
out of the fowler's snare
Escapes away,
so is our soul set free:
Broke are their nets,
and thus escaped we.
8 Therefore our help
is in the Lord's great name,
Who heav'n and earth
by his great pow'r did frame.

PSALM 125.

1 THEY in the Lord that firmly trust
shall be like Sion hill,
Which at no time can be remov'd,
but standeth ever still.
2 As round about Jerusalem
the mountains stand alway,
The Lord his folk doth compass so,
from henceforth and for aye.

3 For ill men's rod upon the lot
of just men shall not lie;
Lest righteous men stretch forth their [hands
unto iniquity.
4 Do thou to all those that be good
thy goodness, Lord, impart;
And do thou good to those that are
upright within their heart.

5 But as for such as turn aside
after their crooked way,
God shall lead forth with wicked men:
on Isr'el peace shall stay.

PSALM 126.

1 WHEN Sion's bondage God turn'd
back,
as men that dream'd were we.
2 Then fill'd with laughter was our
our tongue with melody: [mouth,
They 'mong the heathen said, The
Lord
great things for them hath wrought.
3 The Lord hath done great things for
whence joy to us is brought. [us,
4 As streams of water in the south,
our bondage, Lord, recall.
5 Who sow in tears, a reaping time
of joy enjoy they shall.
6 That man who, bearing precious seed,
in going forth doth mourn,
He doubtless, bringing back his sheaves,
rejoicing shall return.

PSALM 127.

1 EXCEPT the Lord do build the house,
the builders lose their pain:
Except the Lord the city keep,
the watchmen watch in vain.
2 'Tis vain for you to rise betimes,
or late from rest to keep,
To feed on sorrows' bread; so gives
he his beloved sleep.
3 Lo, children are God's heritage,
the womb's fruit his reward.
4 The sons of youth as arrows are,
for strong men's hands prepar'd.
5 O happy is the man that hath
his quiver fill'd with those;
They unashamed in the gate
shall speak unto their foes.

PSALM 128.

1 BLESS'D is each one that fears the Lord,
and walketh in his ways;
2 For of thy labour thou shalt eat,
and happy be always.
3 Thy wife shall as a fruitful vine
by thy house' sides be found:
Thy children like to olive-plants
about thy table round.
4 Behold, the man that fears the Lord,
thus blessed shall he be.
5 The Lord shall out of Sion give
his blessing unto thee:
Thou shalt Jerus'lem's good behold
whilst thou on earth dost dwell.
6 Thou shalt thy children's children see,
and peace on Israel.

PSALM 129.

1 OFT did they vex me from my youth,
may Isr'el now declare;
2 Oft did they vex me from my youth,
yet not victorious were.
3 The plowers plow'd upon my back;
they long their furrows drew.
4 The righteous Lord did cut the cords
of the ungodly crew.
5 Let Sion's haters all be turn'd
back with confusion.
6 As grass on houses' tops be they,
which fades ere it be grown:
7 Whereof enough to fill his hand
the mower cannot find;
Nor can the man his bosom fill,
whose work is sheaves to bind.
8 Neither say they who do go by,
God's blessing on you rest:
We in the name of God the Lord
do wish you to be blest.

PSALM 130.

1 LORD, from the depths to thee I cry'd.
2 My voice, Lord, do thou hear:
Unto my supplication's voice
give an attentive ear.
3 Lord, who shall stand, if thou, O Lord,
should'st mark iniquity?
4 But yet with thee forgiveness is,
that fear'd thou mayest be.
5 I wait for God, my soul doth wait.
my hope is in his word.
6 More than they that for morning watch,
my soul waits for the Lord;
I say, more than they that do watch
the morning light to see.
7 Let Israel hope in the Lord,
for with him mercies be;
And plenteous redemption
is ever found with him.
8 And from all his iniquities
he Isr'el shall redeem.

PSALM 131.

1 MY heart not haughty is, O Lord,
mine eyes not lofty be;
Nor do I deal in matters great,
or things too high for me.
2 I surely have myself behav'd
with quiet sp'rit and mild,
As child of mother wean'd: my soul
is like a weaned child.
3 Upon the Lord let all the hope
of Israel rely,
Ev'n from the time that present is
unto eternity.

PSALM 132.

1 DAVID, and his afflictions all,
Lord, do thou think upon;
2 How unto God he sware, and vow'd
to Jacob's mighty One.
3 I will not come within my house,
nor rest in bed at all;
4 Nor shall mine eyes take any sleep,
nor eyelids slumber shall;
5 Till for the Lord a place I find,
where he may make abode;
A place of habitation
for Jacob's mighty God.
6 Lo, at the place of Ephratah
of it we understood;
And we did find it in the fields,
and city of the wood.
7 We'll go into his tabernacles,
and at his footstool bow.
8 Arise, O Lord, into thy rest,
th' ark of thy strength, and thou.
9 O let thy priests be clothed, Lord,
with truth and righteousness;
And let all those that are thy saints
shout loud for joyfulness.
10 For thine own servant David's sake,
do not deny thy grace;
Nor of thine own anointed one
turn thou away the face.

11 The Lord in truth to David sware,
he will not turn from it,
I of thy body's fruit will make
upon thy throne to sit.

12 My cov'nant if thy sons will keep,
and laws to them made known,
Their children then shall also sit
for ever on thy throne.
13 For God of Sion hath made choice;
there he desires to dwell.
14 This is my rest, here still I'll stay;
for I do like it well.

15 Her food I'll greatly bless; her poor
with bread will satisfy.
16 Her priests I'll clothe with health; her
shall shout forth joyfully. [saints
17 And there will I make David's horn
to bud forth pleasantly:
For him that mine anointed is
a lamp ordain'd have I.

18 As with a garment I will clothe
with shame his en'mies all:
But yet the crown that he doth wear
upon him flourish shall.

PSALM 133.

1 BEHOLD, how good a thing it is,
and how becoming well,
Together such as brethren are
in unity to dwell!
2 Like precious ointment on the head,
that down the beard did flow,
Ev'n Aaron's beard, and to the skirts
did of his garments go.

3 As Hermon's dew, the dew that doth
on Sion' hills descend:
For there the blessing God commands,
life that shall never end.

PSALM 134.

1 BEHOLD, bless ye the Lord, all ye
that his attendants are,
Ev'n you that in God's temple be,
and praise him nightly there.
2 Your hands within God's holy place
lift up, and praise his name.
3 From Sion' hill the Lord thee bless,
that heav'n and earth did frame.

PSALM 135.

1 PRAISE ye the Lord, the Lord's
name praise;
his servants, praise ye God.
2 Who stand in God's house, in the courts
of our God make abode.
3 Praise ye the Lord, for he is good;
unto him praises sing:
Sing praises to his name, because
it is a pleasant thing.

4 For Jacob to himself the Lord
did chuse of his good pleasure,
And he hath chosen Israel
for his peculiar treasure.
5 Because I know assuredly
the Lord is very great,
And that our Lord above all gods
in glory hath his seat.

6 What things soever pleas'd the Lord,
that in the heav'n did he,
And in the earth, the seas, and all
the places deep that be.
7 He from the ends of earth doth make
the vapours to ascend;
With rain he lightnings makes, and
doth from his treasures send. [wind

8 Egypt's first-born, from man to beast
9 who smote. Strange tokens he
On Phar'oh and his servants sent,
Egypt, in midst of thee.
10 He smote great nations, slew great
11 Sihon of Heshbon king, [kings:
And Og of Bashan, and to nought
did Canaan's kingdoms bring:

12 And for a wealthy heritage
their pleasant land he gave,
An heritage which Israel,
his chosen folk, should have.
13 Thy name, O Lord, shall still endure,
and thy memorial
With honour shall continu'd be
to generations all.

14 For why? the righteous God will judge
his people righteously;
Concerning those that do him serve,
himself repent will he.
15 The idols of the nations
of silver are and gold,
And by the hands of men is made
their fashion and mould.

16 Mouths have they, but they do not
eyes, but they do not see; [speak;
17 Ears have they, but hear not; and in
their mouths no breathing be.
18 Their makers are like them; so are
all that on them rely.
19 O Isr'el's house, bless God; bless God,
O Aaron's family.

20 O bless the Lord, of Levi's house
ye who his servants are;
And bless the holy name of God,
all ye the Lord that fear.
21 And blessed be the Lord our God
from Sion's holy hill,
Who dwelleth at Jerusalem.
The Lord O praise ye still.

PSALM 136.

1 GIVE thanks to God, for good is he:
for mercy hath he ever.
2 Thanks to the God of gods give ye:
for his grace faileth never.

3 Thanks give the Lord of lords unto:
for mercy hath he ever.
4 Who only wonders great can do:
for his grace faileth never.

5 Who by his wisdom made heav'ns high:
for mercy hath he ever.
6 Who stretch'd the earth above the sea:
for his grace faileth never.
7 To him that made the great lights
for mercy hath he ever. [shine:
8 The sun to rule till day decline:
for his grace faileth never.

9 The moon and stars to rule by night:
for mercy hath he ever.
10 Who Egypt's first-born kill'd outright:
for his grace faileth never.
11 And Isr'el brought from Egypt land:
for mercy hath he ever.
12 With stretch'd-out arm, and with
strong hand:
for his grace faileth never.

13 By whom the Red sea parted was:
for mercy hath he ever.
14 And through its midst made Isr'el
for his grace faileth never. [pass:
15 But Phar'oh and his host did drown:
for mercy hath he ever.
16 Who through the desert led his own:
for his grace faileth never.

17 To him great kings who overthrew:
for he hath mercy ever.
18 Yea, famous kings in battle slew:
for his grace faileth never.
19 Ev'n Sihon king of Amorites:
for he hath mercy ever.
20 And Og the king of Bashanites:
for his grace faileth never.

21 Their land in heritage to have:
(for mercy hath he ever.)
22 His servant Isr'el right he gave:
for his grace faileth never.
23 In our low state who on us thought:
for he hath mercy ever.
24 And from our foes our freedom
wrought:
for his grace faileth never.

25 Who doth all flesh with food relieve:
for he hath mercy ever.
26 Thanks to the God of heaven give:
for his grace faileth never.

Another of the same.

1 PRAISE God, for he is kind:
His mercy lasts for aye.
2 Give thanks with heart and mind
To God of gods alway:
For certainly
His mercies dure
Most firm and sure
Eternally.

3 The Lord of lords praise ye,
Whose mercies still endure.
4 Great wonders only he
Doth work by his great pow'r:
For certainly, &c.

5 Which God omnipotent,
By might and wisdom high,
The heav'n and firmament
Did frame, as we may see:
For certainly, &c.

6 To him who did outstretch
This earth so great and wide,
Above the waters' reach
Making it to abide:
For certainly, &c.

7 Great lights he made to be;
For his grace lasteth aye:
8 Such as the sun we see,
To rule the lightsome day
For certainly, &c.

9 Also the moon so clear,
Which shineth in our sight;
The stars that do appear,
To guide the darksome night:
For certainly, &c.

10 To him that Egypt smote,
Who did his message scorn;
And in his anger hot
Did kill all their first-born:
For certainly, &c.

11 Thence Isr'el out he brought;
For his grace lasteth ever.
12 With a strong hand he wrought,
And stretch'd-out arm deliver:
For certainly, &c.

13 The sea he cut in two;
For his grace lasteth still.
14 And through its midst to go
Made his own Israel:
For certainly, &c.

15 But overwhelm'd and lost
Was proud king Pharaoh,
With all his mighty host,
And chariots there also:
For certainly, &c.

16 To him who pow'rfully
His chosen people led,
Ev'n through the desert dry,
And in that place them fed:
For certainly, &c.

17 To him great kings who smote;
For his grace hath no bound.
18 Who slew, and spared not
Kings famous and renown'd:
For certainly, &c.

19 Sihon the Am'rites' king;
For his grace lasteth ever:
20 Og also, who did reign
The land of Bashan over:
For certainly, &c.

21 Their land by lot he gave;
For his grace faileth never,
22 That Isr'el might it have
In heritage for ever:
For certainly, &c.

23 Who hath remembered
Us in our low estate;
24 And us delivered
From foes which did us hate:
For certainly, &c.

25 Who to all flesh gives food;
For his grace faileth never.
26 Give thanks to God most good,
The God of heav'n, for ever:
For certainly, &c.

PSALM 137.

1 BY Babel's streams we sat and wept,
when Sion we thought on.
2 In midst thereof we hang'd our harps
the willow-trees upon.
3 For there a song required they,
who did us captive bring:
Our spoilers call'd for mirth, and said,
A song of Sion sing.

4 O how the Lord's song shall we sing
within a foreign land?
5 If thee, Jerus'lem, I forget,
skill part from my right hand.
6 My tongue to my mouth's roof let
if I do thee forget, [cleave,
Jerusalem, and thee above
my chief joy do not set.

7 Remember Edom's children, Lord,
who in Jerus'lem's day,
Ev'n unto its foundation,
Raze, raze it quite, did say.
8 O daughter thou of Babylon,
near to destruction;
Bless'd shall he be that thee rewards,
as thou to us hast done.

9 Yea, happy surely shall he be
thy tender little ones
Who shall lay hold upon, and them
shall dash against the stones.

PSALM 138.

1 THEE will I praise with all my heart,
I will sing praise to thee
2 Before the gods: And worship will
toward thy sanctuary.
I'll praise thy name, ev'n for thy truth,
and kindness of thy love;
For thou thy word hast magnify'd
all thy great name above.

3 Thou didst me answer in the day
when I to thee did cry;
And thou my fainting soul with strength
didst strengthen inwardly.

4 All kings upon the earth that are
shall give thee praise, O Lord;
When as they from thy mouth shall
thy true and faithful word. [hear

5 Yea, in the righteous ways of God
with gladness they shall sing:
For great's the glory of the Lord,
who doth for ever reign.
6 Though God be high, yet he respects
all those that lowly be;
Whereas the proud and lofty ones
afar off knoweth he.

7 Though I in midst of trouble walk,
I life from thee shall have:
'Gainst my foes' wrath thou'lt stretch
thine hand;
thy right hand shall me save.
8 Surely that which concerneth me
the Lord will perfect make:
Lord, still thy mercy lasts; do not
thine own hands' works forsake.

PSALM 139.

1 O LORD, thou hast me search'd
and known.
2 Thou know'st my sitting down,
And rising up; yea, all my thoughts
afar to thee are known.
3 My footsteps, and my lying down,
thou compassest always;
Thou also most entirely art
acquaint with all my ways.

4 For in my tongue, before I speak,
not any word can be,
But altogether, lo, O Lord,
it is well known to thee.
5 Behind, before, thou hast beset,
and laid on me thine hand.
6 Such knowledge is too strange for me,
too high to understand.

7 From thy Sp'rit whither shall I go?
or from thy presence fly?
8 Ascend I heav'n, lo, thou art there;
there, if in hell I lie.
9 Take I the morning wings, and dwell
in utmost parts of sea;
10 Ev'n there, Lord, shall thy hand me
thy right hand hold shall me. [lead,

11 If I do say that darkness shall
me cover from thy sight,
Then surely shall the very night
about me be as light.
12 Yea, darkness hideth not from thee,
but night doth shine as day:
To thee the darkness and the light
are both alike alway.

13 For thou possessed hast my reins,
and thou hast cover'd me,
When I within my mother's womb
inclosed was by thee.

14 Thee will I praise; for fearfully
and strangely made I am;
Thy works are marv'llous, and right
my soul doth know the same. [well

15 My substance was not hid from thee,
when as in secret I
Was made; and in earth's lowest
was wrought most curiously. [parts

16 Thine eyes my substance did behold,
yet being unperfect;
And in the volume of thy book
my members all were writ;

Which after in continuance
were fashion'd ev'ry one,
When as they yet all shapeless were,
and of them there was none.

17 How precious also are thy thoughts,
O gracious God, to me!
And in their sum how passing great
and numberless they be!

18 If I should count them, than the sand
they more in number be:
What time soever I awake,
I ever am with thee.

19 Thou, Lord, wilt sure the wicked slay:
hence from me bloody men.

20 Thy foes against thee loudly speak,
and take thy name in vain.

21 Do not I hate all those, O Lord,
that hatred bear to thee?
With those that up against thee rise
can I but grieved be?

22 With perfect hatred them I hate,
my foes I them do hold.

23 Search me, O God, and know my heart,
try me, my thoughts unfold:

24 And see if any wicked way
there be at all in me;
And in thine everlasting way
to me a leader be.

PSALM 140.

1 LORD, from the ill and froward man
give me deliverance,
And do thou safe preserve me from
the man of violence:

2 Who in their heart mischievous things
are meditating ever;
And they for war assembled are
continually together.

3 Much like unto a serpent's tongue
their tongues they sharp do make;
And underneath their lips there lies
the poison of a snake.

4 Lord, keep me from the wicked's hands,
from vi'lent men me save;
Who utterly to overthrow
my goings purpos'd have.

5 The proud for me a snare have hid,
and cords; yea, they a net
Have by the way-side for me spread;
they gins for me have set.

6 I said unto the Lord, Thou art
my God: unto the cry
Of all my supplications,
Lord, do thine ear apply.

7 O God the Lord, who art the strength
of my salvation:
A cov'ring in the day of war
my head thou hast put on.

8 Unto the wicked man, O Lord,
his wishes do not grant;
Nor further thou his ill device,
lest they themselves should vaunt.

9 As for the head and chief of those
about that compass me,
Ev'n by the mischief of their lips
let thou them cover'd be.

10 Let burning coals upon them fall,
them throw in fiery flame,
And in deep pits, that they no more
may rise out of the same.

11 Let not an evil speaker be
on earth established:
Mischief shall hunt the vi'lent man,
till he be ruined.

12 I know God will th' afflicted's cause
maintain, and poor men's right.

13 Surely the just shall praise thy name;
th' upright dwell in thy sight.

PSALM 141.

1 O LORD, I unto thee do cry,
do thou make haste to me,
And give an ear unto my voice,
when I cry unto thee.

2 As incense let my prayer be
directed in thine eyes;
And the uplifting of my hands
as th' ev'ning sacrifice.

3 Set, Lord, a watch before my mouth,
keep of my lips the door.

4 My heart incline thou not unto
the ills I should abhor,
To practise wicked works with men
that work iniquity;
And with their delicates my taste
let me not satisfy.

5 Let him that righteous is me smite,
it shall a kindness be;
Let him reprove, I shall it count
a precious oil to me:
Such smiting shall not break my head;
for yet the time shall fall,
When I in their calamities
to God pray for them shall.

6 When as their judges down shall be
in stony places cast,
Then shall they hear my words; for
shall sweet be to their taste. [they

7 About the grave's devouring mouth
our bones are scatter'd round,
As wood which men do cut and cleave
lies scatter'd on the ground.

8 But unto thee, O God the Lord,
mine eyes uplifted be:
My soul do not leave destitute;
my trust is set on thee.
9 Lord, keep me safely from the snares
which they for me prepare;
And from the subtile gins of them
that wicked workers are.

10 Let workers of iniquity
into their own nets fall,
Whilst I do, by thine help, escape
the danger of them all.

PSALM 142.

1 I WITH my voice cry'd to the Lord,
with it made my request:
2 Pour'd out to him my plaint, to him
my trouble I exprest.
3 When in me was o'erwhelm'd my sp'rit,
then well thou knew'st my way;
Where I did walk a snare for me
they privily did lay.

4 I look'd on my right hand, and view'd,
but none to know me were;
All refuge failed me, no man
did for my soul take care.
5 I cry'd to thee; I said, Thou art
my refuge, Lord, alone;
And in the land of those that live
thou art my portion.

6 Because I am brought very low,
attend unto my cry:
Me from my persecutors save,
who stronger are than I.
7 From prison bring my soul, that I
thy name may glorify:
The just shall compass me, when thou
with me deal'st bounteously.

PSALM 143.

1 LORD, hear my pray'r, attend my
and in thy faithfulness [suits;
Give thou an answer unto me,
and in thy righteousness.
2 Thy servant also bring thou not
in judgment to be try'd:
Because no living man can be
in thy sight justify'd.

3 For th' en'my hath pursu'd my soul,
my life to ground down tread:
In darkness he hath made me dwell,
as who have long been dead.
4 My sp'rit is therefore overwhelm'd
in me perplexedly;
Within me is my very heart
amazed wondrously.

5 I call to mind the days of old,
to meditate I use
On all thy works; upon the deeds
I of thy hands do muse.
6 My hands to thee I stretch; my soul
thirsts, as dry land, for thee.
7 Haste, Lord, to hear, my spirit fails:
hide not thy face from me;

Lest like to them I do become
that go down to the dust.
8 At morn let me thy kindness hear;
for in thee do I trust.
Teach me the way that I should walk:
I lift my soul to thee.
9 Lord, free me from my foes; I flee
to thee to cover me.

10 Because thou art my God, to do
thy will do me instruct:
Thy Sp'rit is good, me to the land
of uprightness conduct.
11 Revive and quicken me, O Lord,
ev'n for thine own name's sake;
And do thou, for thy righteousness
my soul from trouble take.

12 And of thy mercy slay my foes;
let all destroyed be
That do afflict my soul: for I
a servant am to thee.

Another of the same.

1 OH, hear my prayer, Lord,
And unto my desire
To bow thine ear accord,
I humbly thee require;
And, in thy faithfulness,
Unto me answer make,
And, in thy righteousness,
Upon me pity take.

2 In judgment enter not
With me thy servant poor;
For why, this well I wot,
No sinner can endure
The sight of thee, O God:
If thou his deeds shalt try,
He dare make none abode
Himself to justify.

3 Behold, the cruel foe
Me persecutes with spite,
My soul to overthrow:
Yea, he my life down quite
Unto the ground hath smote,
And made me dwell full low
In darkness, as forgot,
Or men dead long ago.

4 Therefore my sp'rit much vex'd,
O'erwhelm'd is me within;
My heart right sore perplex'd
And desolate hath been.
5 Yet I do call to mind
What ancient days record.

Thy works of ev'ry kind
I think upon, O Lord.

6 Lo, I do stretch my hands
To thee, my help alone;
For thou well understands
All my complaint and moan:
My thirsting soul desires,
And longeth after thee,
As thirsty ground requires
With rain refresh'd to be.

7 Lord, let my pray'r prevail,
To answer it make speed;
For, lo, my sp'rit doth fail:
Hide not thy face in need;
Lest I be like to those
That do in darkness sit,
Or him that downward goes
Into the dreadful pit.

8 Because I trust in thee,
O Lord, cause me to hear
Thy loving-kindness free,
When morning doth appear:
Cause me to know the way
Wherein my path should be;
For why, my soul on high
I do lift up to thee.

9 From my fierce enemy
In safety do me guide,
Because I flee to thee,
Lord, that thou may'st me hide
10 My God alone art thou,
Teach me thy righteousness:
Thy Sp'rit's good, lead me to
The land of uprightness.

11 O Lord, for thy name's sake,
Be pleas'd to quicken me;
And, for thy truth, forth take
My soul from misery.
12 And of thy grace destroy
My foes, and put to shame
All who my soul annoy;
For I thy servant am.

PSALM 144.

1 O BLESSED ever be the Lord,
who is my strength and might,
Who doth instruct my hands to war,
my fingers teach to fight.
2 My goodness, fortress, my high tow'r,
deliverer, and shield,
In whom I trust: who under me
my people makes to yield.

3 Lord, what is man, that thou of him
dost so much knowledge take?
Or son of man, that thou of him
so great account dost make?
4 Man is like vanity; his days,
as shadows, pass away.
5 Lord, bow thy heav'ns, come down,
touch thou
the hills, and smoke shall they.

6 Cast forth thy lightning, scatter them;
thine arrows shoot, them rout.
7 Thine hand send from above, me save;
from great depths draw me out;
And from the hand of children strange,
8 Whose mouth speaks vanity;
And their right hand is a right hand
that works deceitfully.

9 A new song I to thee will sing,
Lord, on a psaltery;
I on a ten-string'd instrument
will praises sing to thee.
10 Ev'n he it is that unto kings
salvation doth send;
Who his own servant David doth
from hurtful sword defend.

11 O free me from strange children's hand,
whose mouth speaks vanity;
And their right hand a right hand is
that works deceitfully.
12 That, as the plants, our sons may be
in youth grown up that are;
Our daughters like to corner-stones,
carv'd like a palace fair.

13 That to afford all kind of store
our garners may be fill'd;
That our sheep thousands, in our streets
ten thousands they may yield.
14 That strong our oxen be for work,
that no in-breaking be,
Nor going out; and that our streets
may from complaints be free.

15 Those people blessed are who be
in such a case as this;
Yea, blessed all those people are,
whose God JEHOVAH is.

PSALM 145.

1 I'LL thee extol, my God, O King;
I'll bless thy name always.
2 Thee will I bless each day, and will
thy name for ever praise.
3 Great is the Lord, much to be prais'd;
his greatness search exceeds.
4 Race unto race shall praise thy works,
and show thy mighty deeds.

5 I of thy glorious majesty
the honour will record;
I'll speak of all thy mighty works,
which wondrous are, O Lord.
6 Men of thine acts the might shall show,
thine acts that dreadful are;
And I, thy glory to advance,
thy greatness will declare.

7 The mem'ry of thy goodness great
they largely shall express;
With songs of praise they shall extol
thy perfect righteousness.

8 The Lord is very gracious,
in him compassions flow;
In mercy he is very great,
and is to anger slow.

9 The Lord JEHOVAH unto all
his goodness doth declare;
And over all his other works
his tender mercies are.

10 Thee all thy works shall praise, O Lord,
and thee thy saints shall bless;

11 They shall thy kingdom's glory show,
thy pow'r by speech express:

12 To make the sons of men to know
his acts done mightily,
And of his kingdom th' excellent
and glorious majesty.

13 Thy kingdom shall for ever stand,
thy reign through ages all.

14 God raiseth all that are bow'd down,
upholdeth all that fall.

15 The eyes of all things wait on thee,
the giver of all good;
And thou, in time convenient,
bestow'st on them their food:

16 Thine hand thou open'st lib'rally,
and of thy bounty gives
Enough to satisfy the need
of ev'ry thing that lives.

17 The Lord is just in all his ways,
holy in his works all.

18 God's near to all that call on him,
in truth that on him call.

19 He will accomplish the desire
of those that do him fear:
He also will deliver them,
and he their cry will hear.

20 The Lord preserves all who him love,
that nought can them annoy:
But he all those that wicked are
will utterly destroy.

21 My mouth the praises of the Lord
to publish cease shall never:
Let all flesh bless his holy name
for ever and for ever.

Another of the same.

1 O LORD, thou art my God and King;
Thee will I magnify and praise:
I will thee bless, and gladly sing
Unto thy holy name always.

2 Each day I rise I will thee bless,
And praise thy name time without end.

3 Much to be prais'd, and great God is;
His greatness none can comprehend.

4 Race shall thy works praise unto race,
The mighty acts show done by thee.

5 I will speak of the glorious grace,
And honour of thy majesty;
Thy wondrous works I will record.

6 By men the might shall be extoll'd
Of all thy dreadful acts, O Lord:
And I thy greatness will unfold.

7 They utter shall abundantly
The mem'ry of thy goodness great;
And shall sing praises cheerfully,
Whilst they thy righteousness relate.

8 The Lord our God is gracious,
Compassionate is he also;
In mercy he is plenteous,
But unto wrath and anger slow

9 Good unto all men is the Lord
O'er all his works his mercy is.

10 Thy works all praise to thee afford:
Thy saints, O Lord, thy name shall bless.

11 The glory of thy kingdom show
Shall they, and of thy power tell:

12 That so men's sons his deeds may know,
His kingdom's grace that doth excel.

13 Thy kingdom hath none end at all
It doth through ages all remain.

14 The Lord upholdeth all that fall,
The cast-down raiseth up again.

15 The eyes of all things, Lord, attend,
And on thee wait that here do live,
And thou, in season due, dost send
Sufficient food them to relieve.

16 Yea, thou thine hand dost open wide,
And ev'ry thing dost satisfy
That lives, and doth on earth abide,
Of thy great liberality.

17 The Lord is just in his ways all,
And holy in his works each one.

18 He's near to all that on him call,
Who call in truth on him alone.

19 God will the just desire fulfil
Of such as do him fear and dread:
Their cry regard, and hear he will,
And save them in the time of need.

20 The Lord preserves all, more and less,
That bear to him a loving heart:
But workers all of wickedness
Destroy will he, and clean subvert.

21 Therefore my mouth and lips I'll frame
To speak the praises of the Lord:
To magnify his holy name
For ever let all flesh accord.

PSALM 146.

1 PRAISE God. The Lord praise, O
my soul.

2 I'll praise God while I live;
While I have being to my God
in songs I'll praises give.

3 Trust not in princes, nor man's son,
in whom there is no stay:

4 His breath departs, to's earth he turns;
that day his thoughts decay.

5 O happy is that man and blest,
whom Jacob's God doth aid;
Whose hope upon the Lord doth rest,
and on his God is stay'd:

6 Who made the earth and heavens high,
who made the swelling deep,
And all that is within the same;
who truth doth ever keep:
7 Who righteous judgment executes
for those oppress'd that be,
Who to the hungry giveth food;
God sets the pris'ners free.
8 The Lord doth give the blind their
the bowed down doth raise: [sight,
The Lord doth dearly love all those
that walk in upright ways.
9 The stranger's shield, the widow's stay,
the orphan's help, is he:
But yet by him the wicked's way
turn'd upside down shall be.
10 The Lord shall reign for evermore:
thy God, O Sion, he
Reigns to all generations.
Praise to the Lord give ye.

PSALM 147.

1 PRAISE ye the Lord; for it is good
praise to our God to sing:
For it is pleasant, and to praise
it is a comely thing.
2 God doth build up Jerusalem;
and he it is alone
That the dispers'd of Israel
doth gather into one.
3 Those that are broken in their heart,
and grieved in their minds,
He healeth, and their painful wounds
he tenderly up-binds.
4 He counts the number of the stars;
he names them ev'ry one.
5 Great is our Lord, and of great pow'r;
his wisdom search can none.
6 The Lord lifts up the meek; and casts
the wicked to the ground.
7 Sing to the Lord, and give him thanks;
on harp his praises sound;
8 Who covereth the heav'n with clouds,
who for the earth below
Prepareth rain, who maketh grass
upon the mountains grow.
9 He gives the beast his food, he feeds
the ravens young that cry.
10 His pleasure not in horses' strength,
nor in man's legs, doth lie.
11 But in all those that do him fear
the Lord doth pleasure take;
In those that to his mercy do
by hope themselves betake.
12 The Lord praise, O Jerusalem;
Sion, thy God confess:
13 For thy gates' bars he maketh strong;
thy sons in thee doth bless.
14 He in thy borders maketh peace;
with fine wheat filleth thee.
15 He sends forth his command on earth,
his word runs speedily.
16 Hoar-frost, like ashes, scatt'reth he;
like wool he snow doth give:
17 Like morsels casteth forth his ice;
who in its cold can live?
18 He sendeth forth his mighty word,
and melteth them again;
His wind he makes to blow, and then
the waters flow amain.
19 The doctrine of his holy word
to Jacob he doth show;
His statutes and his judgments he
gives Israel to know.
20 To any nation never he
such favour did afford;
For they his judgments have not [known.
O do ye praise the Lord.

PSALM 148.

1 PRAISE God. From heavens praise
the Lord,
in heights praise to him be.
2 All ye his angels, praise ye him;
his hosts all, praise him ye.
3 O praise ye him, both sun and moon;
praise him, all stars of light.
4 Ye heav'ns of heav'ns him praise, and
floods
above the heavens' height.
5 Let all the creatures praise the name
of our almighty Lord:
For he commanded, and they were
created by his word.
6 He also, for all times to come,
hath them establish'd sure;
He hath appointed them a law,
which ever shall endure.
7 Praise ye JEHOVAH from the earth,
dragons, and ev'ry deep:
8 Fire, hail, snow, vapour, stormy wind,
his word that fully keep.
9 All hills and mountains, fruitful trees,
and all ye cedars high:
10 Beasts, and all cattle, creeping things,
and all ye birds that fly.
11 Kings of the earth, all nations
princes, earth's judges all:
12 Both young men, yea, and maidens too,
old men, and children small.
13 Let them God's name praise; for his
alone is excellent: [name
His glory reacheth far above
the earth and firmament.
14 His people's horn, the praise of all
his saints, exalteth he;
Ev'n Isr'el's seed, a people near
to him. The Lord praise ye.

Another of the same.

1 THE Lord of heav'n confess,
On high his glory raise.
2 Him let all angels bless,
Him all his armies praise.

3 Him glorify
Sun, moon, and stars;
4 Ye higher spheres,
And cloudy sky.

5 From God your beings are,
Him therefore famous make;
You all created were,
When he the word but spake.
6 And from that place,
Where fix'd you be
By his decree,
You cannot pass.

7 Praise God from earth below,
Ye dragons, and ye deeps:
8 Fire, hail, clouds, wind, and snow,
Whom in command he keeps.
9 Praise ye his name,
Hills great and small,
Trees low and tall;
10 Beasts wild and tame;
All things that creep or fly.
11 Ye kings, ye vulgar throng,
All princes mean or high;
12 Both men and virgins young,
Ev'n young and old,
13 Exalt his name;
For much his fame
Should be extoll'd.

O let God's name be prais'd
Above both earth and sky;
14 For he his saints hath rais'd,
And set their horn on high;
Ev'n those that be
Of Isr'el's race,
Near to his grace.
The Lord praise ye.

PSALM 149.

1 PRAISE ye the Lord: unto him sing
a new song, and his praise
In the assembly of his saints
in sweet psalms do ye raise.
2 Let Isr'el in his Maker joy,
and to him praises sing:
Let all that Sion's children are
be joyful in their King.

3 O let them unto his great name
give praises in the dance;
Let them with timbrel and with harp
in songs his praise advance.
4 For God doth pleasure take in those
that his own people be;
And he with his salvation
the meek will beautify.

5 And in his glory excellent
let all his saints rejoice:
Let them to him upon their beds
aloud lift up their voice.
6 Let in their mouth aloft be rais'd
the high praise of the Lord,
And let them have in their right hand
a sharp two-edged sword;

7 To execute the vengeance due
upon the heathen all,
And make deserved punishment
upon the people fall.
8 And ev'n with chains, as pris'ners, bind
their kings that them command;
Yea, and with iron fetters strong,
the nobles of their land.

9 On them the judgment to perform
found written in his word:
This honour is to all his saints.
O do ye praise the Lord.

PSALM 150.

1 PRAISE ye the Lord. God's praise
his sanctuary raise; [within
And to him in the firmament
of his pow'r give ye praise.
2 Because of all his mighty acts,
with praise him magnify:
O praise him, as he doth excel
in glorious majesty.

3 Praise him with trumpet's sound; his praise
with psaltery advance:
4 With timbrel, harp, string'd instruments,
and organs, in the dance.
5 Praise him on cymbals loud; him praise
on cymbals sounding high.
6 Let each thing breathing praise the Lord.
Praise to the Lord give ye.

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1. Genesis i.

1 LET heav'n arise, let earth appear,
said the Almighty Lord:
The heav'n arose, the earth appear'd,
at his creating word.
2 Thick darkness brooded o'er the deep:
God said, "Let there be light:"
The light shone forth with smiling ray,
and scatter'd ancient night.

3 He bade the clouds ascend on high;
the clouds ascend, and bear
A wat'ry treasure to the sky,
and float upon the air.
4 The liquid element below
was gather'd by his hand;
The rolling seas together flow,
and leave the solid land.

5 With herbs, and plants, and fruitful trees,
the new-form'd globe he crown'd,
Ere there was rain to bless the soil,
or sun to warm the ground.
6 Then high in heav'n's resplendent arch
he plac'd two orbs of light,
He set the sun to rule the day,
the moon to rule the night.

7 Next, from the deep, th' Almighty King
did vital beings frame;
Fowls of the air of ev'ry wing,
and fish of ev'ry name.
8 To all the various brutal tribes
he gave their wondrous birth;
At once the lion and the worm
sprung from the teeming earth.

9 Then, chief o'er all his works below,
at last was Adam made;
His Maker's image bless'd his soul,
and glory crown'd his head.
10 Fair in th' Almighty Maker's eye
the whole creation stood.
He view'd the fabric he had rais'd;
his word pronounc'd it good.

2. Genesis xxviii. 20—22.

1 O GOD of Bethel! by whose hand
thy people still are fed;
Who through this weary pilgrimage
hast all our fathers led:

2 Our vows, our pray'rs, we now present
before thy throne of grace:
God of our fathers! be the God
of their succeeding race.

3 Through each perplexing path of life
our wand'ring footsteps guide;
Give us each day our daily bread,
and raiment fit provide.
4 O spread thy cov'ring wings around,
till all our wand'rings cease,
And at our Father's lov'd abode
our souls arrive in peace.

5 Such blessings from thy gracious hand
our humble pray'rs implore;
And thou shalt be our chosen God,
and portion evermore.

3. Job i. 21.

1 NAKED as from the earth we came,
and enter'd life at first;
Naked we to the earth return,
and mix with kindred dust.
2 Whate'er we fondly call our own
belongs to heav'n's great Lord;
The blessings lent us for a day
are soon to be restor'd.

3 'Tis God that lifts our comforts high,
or sinks them in the grave:
He gives; and, when he takes away,
he takes but what he gave.
4 Then, ever blessed be his name!
his goodness swell'd our store;
His justice but resumes its own;
'tis ours still to adore.

4. Job iii. 17—20.

1 HOW still and peaceful is the grave!
where, life's vain tumults past,
Th' appointed house, by Heav'n's decree
receives us all at last.
2 The wicked there from troubling cease,
their passions rage no more;
And there the weary pilgrim rests
from all the toils he bore.

3 There rest the pris'ners, now releas'd
from slav'ry's sad abode;
No more they hear th' oppressor's voice,
or dread the tyrant's rod.

4 There servants, masters, small and
partake the same repose; [great,
And there, in peace, the ashes mix
of those who once were foes.
5 All, levell'd by the hand of Death,
lie sleeping in the tomb;
Till God in judgment calls them forth,
to meet their final doom.

5. Job v. 6—12.

1 THOUGH trouble springs not from the dust,
nor sorrow from the ground;
Yet ills on ills, by Heav'n's decree,
in man's estate are found.
2 As sparks in close succession rise,
so man, the child of woe,
Is doom'd to endless cares and toils
through all his life below.
3 But with my God I leave my cause;
from him I seek relief;
To him, in confidence of pray'r,
unbosom all my grief.
4 Unnumber'd are his wondrous works,
unsearchable his ways;
'Tis his the mourning soul to cheer,
the bowed down to raise.

6. Job viii. 11—22.

1 THE rush may rise where waters flow,
and flags beside the stream;
But soon their verdure fades and dies
before the scorching beam:
2 So is the sinner's hope cut off;
or, if it transient rise,
'Tis like the spider's airy web,
from ev'ry breath that flies.
3 Fix'd on his house he leans; his house
and all its props decay:
He holds it fast; but, while he holds,
the tott'ring frame gives way.
4 Fair, in his garden, to the sun
his boughs with verdure smile;
And, deeply fix'd, his spreading roots
unshaken stand a while.
5 But forth the sentence flies from Heav'n,
that sweeps him from his place;
Which then denies him for its lord,
nor owns it knew his face.
6 Lo! this the joy of wicked men,
who Heav'n's high laws despise:
They quickly fall; and in their room
as quickly others rise.
7 But, for the just, with gracious care,
God will his pow'r employ;
He'll teach their lips to sing his praise,
and fill their hearts with joy.

7. Job ix. 2—10.

1 HOW should the sons of Adam's race
be pure before their God?
If he contends in righteousness,
we sink beneath his rod.
2 If he should mark my words and thoughts
with strict inquiring eyes,
Could I for one of thousand faults
the least excuse devise?
3 Strong is his arm, his heart is wise;
who dares with him contend?
Or who, that tries th' unequal strife,
shall prosper in the end?
4 He makes the mountains feel his wrath,
and their old seats forsake;
The trembling earth deserts her place,
and all her pillars shake.
5 He bids the sun forbear to rise;
th' obedient sun forbears:
His hand with sackcloth spreads the skies,
and seals up all the stars.
6 He walks upon the raging sea;
flies on the stormy wind:
None can explore his wondrous way,
or his dark footsteps find.

8. Job xiv. 1—15.

1 FEW are thy days, and full of woe,
O man, of woman born!
Thy doom is written, "Dust thou art,
and shalt to dust return."
2 Behold the emblem of thy state
in flow'rs that bloom and die,
Or in the shadow's fleeting form,
that mocks the gazer's eye.
3 Guilty and frail, how shalt thou stand
before thy sov'reign Lord?
Can troubled and polluted springs
a hallow'd stream afford?
4 Determin'd are the days that fly
successive o'er thy head;
The number'd hour is on the wing
that lays thee with the dead.
5 Great God! afflict not in thy wrath
the short allotted span,
That bounds the few and weary days
of pilgrimage to man.
6 All nature dies, and lives again:
the flow'r that paints the field,
The trees that crown the mountain's brow,
and boughs and blossoms yield,
7 Resign the honours of their form
at Winter's stormy blast,
And leave the naked leafless plain
a desolated waste.
8 Yet soon reviving plants and flow'rs
anew shall deck the plain;
The woods shall hear the voice of Spring,
and flourish green again.
9 But man forsakes this earthly scene,
ah! never to return:
Shall any foll'wing spring revive
the ashes of the urn?

10 The mighty flood that rolls along
its torrents to the main,
Can ne'er recall its waters lost
from that abyss again.

11 So days, and years, and ages past,
descending down to night,
Can henceforth never more return
back to the gates of light;
12 And man, when laid in lonesome grave,
shall sleep in Death's dark gloom,
Until th' eternal morning wake
the slumbers of the tomb.

13 O may the grave become to me
the bed of peaceful rest,
Whence I shall gladly rise at length,
and mingle with the blest!
14 Cheer'd by this hope, with patient mind,
I'll wait Heav'n's high decree,
Till the appointed period come,
when death shall set me free.

9. Job xxvi. 6, to the end.

1 WHO can resist th' Almighty arm
that made the starry sky?
Or who elude the certain glance
of God's all-seeing eye?
2 From him no cov'ring vails our crimes;
hell opens to his sight;
And all Destruction's secret snares
lie full disclos'd in light.

3 Firm on the boundless void of space
he pois'd the steady pole,
And in the circle of his clouds
bade secret waters roll.
4 While nature's universal frame
its Maker's pow'r reveals,
His throne, remote from mortal eyes,
an awful cloud conceals.

5 From where the rising day ascends,
to where it sets in night,
He compasses the floods with bounds,
and checks their threat'ning might.
6 The pillars that support the sky
tremble at his rebuke;
Through all its caverns quakes the earth,
as though its centre shook.

7 He brings the waters from their beds,
although no tempest blows,
And smites the kingdom of the proud
without the hand of foes.
8 With bright inhabitants above
he fills the heav'nly land,
And all the crooked serpent's breed
dismay'd before him stand.

9 Few of his works can we survey;
these few our skill transcend:
But the full thunder of his pow'r
what heart can comprehend?

10. Prov. i. 20—31.

1 IN streets, and op'nings of the gates,
where pours the busy crowd,
Thus heav'nly Wisdom lifts her voice,
and cries to men aloud
2 How long, ye scorners of the truth,
scornful will ye remain?
How long shall fools their folly love,
and hear my words in vain?

3 O turn, at last, at my reproof!
and, in that happy hour,
His bless'd effusions on your heart
my Spirit down shall pour
4 But since so long, with earnest voice,
to you in vain I call,
Since all my counsels and reproofs
thus ineffectual fall;

5 The time will come, when humbled low,
in Sorrow's evil day,
Your voice by anguish shall be taught,
but taught too late, to pray.
6 When, like the whirlwind, o'er the deep
comes Desolation's blast;
Pray'rs then extorted shall be vain
the hour of mercy past.

7 The choice you made has fix'd your doom;
for this is Heav'n's decree,
That with the fruits of what he sow'd
the sinner fill'd shall be.

11. Prov. iii. 13—17.

1 O HAPPY is the man who hears
Instruction's warning voice;
And who celestial Wisdom makes
his early, only choice.
2 For she has treasures greater far
than east or west unfold;
And her rewards more precious are
than all their stores of gold.

3 In her right hand she holds to view
a length of happy days;
Riches, with splendid honours join'd,
are what her left displays.
4 She guides the young with innocence,
in pleasure's paths to tread,
A crown of glory she bestows
upon the hoary head.

5 According as her labours rise,
so her rewards increase;
Her ways are ways of pleasantness,
and all her paths are peace.

12. Prov. vi. 6—12.

1 YE indolent and slothful! rise,
View the ant's labours, and be wise;
She has no guide to point her way,
No ruler chiding her delay:
2 Yet see with what incessant cares
She for the winter's storm prepares;
In summer she provides her meat,
And harvest finds her store complete.

3 But when will slothful man arise?
How long shall sleep seal up his eyes?
Sloth more indulgence still demands;
Sloth shuts the eyes, and folds the hands.
4 But mark the end; want shall assail,
When all your strength and vigour fail;
Want, like an armed man, shall rush
The hoary head of age to crush.

13. Prov. viii. 22, to the end.

1 KEEP silence, all ye sons of men,
and hear with rev'rence due;
Eternal Wisdom from above
thus lifts her voice to you:
2 I was th' Almighty's chief delight
from everlasting days,
Ere yet his arm was stretched forth
the heav'ns and earth to raise.
3 Before the sea began to flow,
and leave the solid land,
Before the hills and mountains rose,
I dwelt at his right hand.
4 When first he rear'd the arch of heav'n,
and spread the clouds on air,
When first the fountains of the deep
he open'd, I was there.
5 There I was with him, when he stretch'd
his compass o'er the deep,
And charg'd the ocean's swelling waves
within their bounds to keep.
6 With joy I saw th' abode prepar'd
which men were soon to fill:
Them from the first of days I lov'd,
unchang'd, I love them still.
7 Now therefore hearken to my words,
ye children, and be wise:
Happy the man that keeps my ways;
the man that shuns them dies.
8 Where dubious paths perplex the mind,
direction I afford;
Life shall be his that follows me,
and favour from the Lord.
9 But he who scorns my sacred laws
shall deeply wound his heart,
He courts destruction who contemns
the counsel I impart.

14. Eccles. vii. 2—6.

1 WHILE others crowd the house of mirth,
and haunt the gaudy show,
Let such as would with Wisdom dwell,
frequent the house of woe.
2 Better to weep with those who weep,
and share th' afflicted's smart,
Than mix with fools in giddy joys
that cheat and wound the heart.
3 When virtuous sorrow clouds the face,
and tears bedim the eye,
The soul is led to solemn thought,
and wafted to the sky.
4 The wise in heart revisit oft
grief's dark sequester'd cell;
The thoughtless still with levity
and mirth delight to dwell.
5 The noisy laughter of the fool
is like the crackling sound
Of blazing thorns, which quickly fall
in ashes to the ground.

15. Eccles. ix. 4, 5, 6, 10.

1 AS long as life its term extends,
Hope's blest dominion never ends;
For while the lamp holds on to burn,
The greatest sinner may return.
2 Life is the season God hath giv'n
To fly from hell, and rise to heav'n;
That day of grace fleets fast away,
And none its rapid course can stay.
3 The living know that they must die;
But all the dead forgotten lie:
Their mem'ry and their name is gone,
Alike unknowing and unknown.
4 Their hatred and their love is lost,
Their envy bury'd in the dust;
They have no share in all that's done
Beneath the circuit of the sun.
5 Then what thy thoughts design to do,
Still let thy hands with might pursue;
Since no device nor work is found,
Nor wisdom underneath the ground.
6 In the cold grave, to which we haste,
There are no acts of pardon past:
But fix'd the doom of all remains,
And everlasting silence reigns.

16. Eccles. xii. 1.

1 IN life's gay morn, when sprightly youth
with vital ardour glows,
And shines in all the fairest charms
which beauty can disclose;
2 Deep on thy soul, before its pow'rs
are yet by vice enslav'd,
Be thy Creator's glorious name
and character engrav'd.
3 For soon the shades of grief shall cloud
the sunshine of thy days;
And cares, and toils, in endless round,
encompass all thy ways.
4 Soon shall thy heart the woes of age
in mournful groans deplore,
And sadly muse on former joys,
that now return no more.

17. Isaiah i. 10—19.

1 RULERS of Sodom! hear the voice
of heav'n's eternal Lord;
Men of Gomorrah! bend your ear
submissive to his word.
2 'Tis thus he speaks: To what intent
are your oblations vain?

Why load my altars with your gifts,
polluted and profane?
3 Burnt-off'rings long may blaze to heav'n,
and incense cloud the skies;
The worship and the worshipper
are hateful in my eyes.
4 Your rites, your fasts, your pray'rs, I [scorn,
and pomp of solemn days:
I know your hearts are full of guile,
and crooked are your ways.
5 But cleanse your hands, ye guilty race,
and cease from deeds of sin;
Learn in your actions to be just,
and pure in heart within.
6 Mock not my name with honours vain,
but keep my holy laws;
Do justice to the friendless poor,
and plead the widow's cause.
7 Then though your guilty souls are
with sins of crimson dye, [stain'd
Yet, through my grace, with snow itself
in whiteness they shall vie.

18. Isaiah ii. 2—6.

1 BEHOLD! the mountain of the Lord
in latter days shall rise
On mountain tops above the hills,
and draw the wond'ring eyes.
2 To this the joyful nations round,
all tribes and tongues shall flow;
Up to the hill of God, they'll say,
and to his house we'll go.
3 The beam that shines from Sion hill
shall lighten ev'ry land;
The King who reigns in Salem's tow'rs
shall all the world command.
4 Among the nations he shall judge;
his judgments truth shall guide;
His sceptre shall protect the just,
and quell the sinner's pride.
5 No strife shall rage, nor hostile feuds
disturb those peaceful years;
To ploughshares men shall beat their swords,
to pruning-hooks their spears.
6 No longer hosts encount'ring hosts
shall crowds of slain deplore:
They hang the trumpet in the hall,
and study war no more.
7 Come then, O house of Jacob! come
to worship at his shrine;
And, walking in the light of God,
with holy beauties shine.

19. Isaiah ix. 2—8.

1 THE race that long in darkness pin'd
have seen a glorious light;
The people dwell in day, who dwelt
in death's surrounding night.
2 To hail thy rise, thou better Sun!
the gath'ring nations come,
Joyous, as when the reapers bear
the harvest treasures home.
3 For thou our burden hast remov'd,
and quell'd th' oppressor's sway,
Quick as the slaughter'd squadrons fell
in Midian's evil day.
4 To us a Child of hope is born;
to us a Son is giv'n;
Him shall the tribes of earth obey,
him all the hosts of heav'n.
5 His name shall be the Prince of Peace,
for evermore ador'd,
The Wonderful, the Counsellor,
the great and mighty Lord.
6 His pow'r increasing still shall spread,
his reign no end shall know;
Justice shall guard his throne above,
and peace abound below.

20. Isaiah xxvi. 1—7.

1 HOW glorious Sion's courts appear,
the city of our God!
His throne he hath establish'd here,
here fix'd his lov'd abode.
2 Its walls, defended by his grace,
no pow'r shall e'er o'erthrow,
Salvation is its bulwark sure
against th' assailing foe.
3 Lift up the everlasting gates,
the doors wide open fling;
Enter, ye nations, who obey
the statutes of our King.
4 Here shall ye taste unmingled joys,
and dwell in perfect peace,
Ye, who have known JEHOVAH's name,
and trusted in his grace.
5 Trust in the Lord, for ever trust,
and banish all your fears;
Strength in the Lord JEHOVAH
eternal as his years. [dwells
6 What though the wicked dwell on high,
his arm shall bring them low;
Low as the caverns of the grave
their lofty heads shall bow.
7 Along the dust shall then be spread
their tow'rs, that brave the skies:
On them the needy's feet shall tread,
and on their ruins rise.

21. Isaiah xxxiii. 13—18.

1 ATTEND, ye tribes that dwell remote,
ye tribes at hand, give ear;
Th' upright in heart alone have hope
the false in heart have fear.
2 The man who walks with God in truth,
and ev'ry guile disdains;
Who hates to lift oppression's rod,
and scorns its shameful gains;

3 Whose soul abhors the impious bribe
that tempts from truth to stray,
And from th' enticing snares of vice
who turns his eyes away:
4 His dwelling, 'midst the strength of rocks,
shall ever stand secure;
His Father will provide his bread,
his water shall be sure.
5 For him the kingdom of the just
afar doth glorious shine;
And he the King of kings shall see
in majesty divine.

22. Isaiah xl. 27, to the end.

1 WHY pour'st thou forth thine
anxious plaint,
despairing of relief,
As if the Lord o'erlook'd thy cause,
and did not heed thy grief?
2 Hast thou not known, hast thou not heard,
that firm remains on high
The everlasting throne of Him
who form'd the earth and sky?
3 Art thou afraid his pow'r shall fail
when comes thy evil day?
And can an all-creating arm
grow weary or decay?
4 Supreme in wisdom as in pow'r
the Rock of ages stands;
Though him thou canst not see, nor trace
the working of his hands.
5 He gives the conquest to the weak,
supports the fainting heart;
And courage in the evil hour
his heav'nly aids impart.
6 Mere human pow'r shall fast decay,
and youthful vigour cease;
But they who wait upon the Lord,
in strength shall still increase.
7 They with unweary'd feet shall tread
the path of life divine;
With growing ardour onward move,
with growing brightness shine.
8 On eagles' wings they mount, they soar,
their wings are faith and love,
Till, past the cloudy regions here,
they rise to heav'n above.

23. Isaiah xlii. 1—13.

1 BEHOLD my Servant! see him rise
exalted in my might!
Him have I chosen, and in him
I place supreme delight.
2 On him, in rich effusion pour'd,
my Spirit shall descend;
My truths and judgments he shall show
to earth's remotest end.
3 Gentle and still shall be his voice,
no threats from him proceed;
The smoking flax he shall not quench,
nor break the bruised reed.
4 The feeble spark to flames he'll raise;
the weak will not despise;
Judgment he shall bring forth to truth,
and make the fallen rise.
5 The progress of his zeal and pow'r
shall never know decline,
Till foreign lands and distant isles
receive the law divine.
6 He who erected heav'n's bright arch,
and bade the planets roll,
Who peopled all the climes of earth,
and form'd the human soul,
7 Thus saith the Lord, Thee have I rais'd,
my Prophet thee install;
In right I've rais'd thee, and in strength
I'll succour whom I call.
8 I will establish with the lands
a covenant in thee,
To give the Gentile nations light,
and set the pris'ners free:
9 Asunder burst the gates of brass;
the iron fetters fall;
And gladsome light and liberty
are straight restor'd to all.
10 I am the Lord, and by the name
of great JEHOVAH known;
No idol shall usurp my praise,
nor mount into my throne.
11 Lo! former scenes, predicted once,
conspicuous rise to view;
And future scenes, predicted now,
shall be accomplish'd too.
12 Sing to the Lord in joyful strains!
let earth his praise resound,
Ye who upon the ocean dwell,
and fill the isles around!
13 O city of the Lord! begin
the universal song;
And let the scatter'd villages
the cheerful notes prolong.
14 Let Kedar's wilderness afar
lift up its lonely voice;
And let the tenants of the rock
with accents rude rejoice;
15 Till 'midst the streams of distant lands
the islands sound his praise;
And all combin'd, with one accord,
JEHOVAH's glories raise.

24. Isaiah xlix. 13—17.

1 YE heav'ns, send forth your song of
praise!
earth, raise your voice below!
Let hills and mountains join the hymn,
and joy through nature flow.
2 Behold how gracious is our God!
hear the consoling strains,
In which he cheers our drooping hearts,
and mitigates our pains.
3 Cease ye, when days of darkness come,
in sad dismay to mourn,

As if the Lord could leave his saints
forsaken or forlorn.
4 Can the fond mother e'er forget
the infant whom she bore?
And can its plaintive cries be heard,
nor move compassion more?

5 She may forget: nature may fail
a parent's heart to move;
But Sion on my heart shall dwell
in everlasting love.
6 Full in my sight, upon my hands
I have engrav'd her name:
My hands shall build her ruin'd walls,
and raise her broken frame.

25. Isaiah liii.

1 HOW few receive with cordial faith
the tidings which we bring?
How few have seen the arm reveal'd
of heav'n's eternal King?
2 The Saviour comes! no outward pomp
bespeaks his presence nigh;
No earthly beauty shines in him
to draw the carnal eye.

3 Fair as a beauteous tender flow'r
amidst the desert grows,
So slighted by a rebel race
the heav'nly Saviour rose.
4 Rejected and despis'd of men,
behold a man of woe!
Grief was his close companion still
through all his life below.

5 Yet all the griefs he felt were ours,
ours were the woes he bore:
Pangs, not his own, his spotless soul
with bitter anguish tore.
6 We held him as condemn'd by Heav'n,
an outcast from his God,
While for our sins he groan'd, he bled,
beneath his Father's rod.

7 His sacred blood hath wash'd our souls
from sin's polluted stain;
His stripes have heal'd us, and his
reviv'd our souls again. [death
8 We all, like sheep, had gone astray
in ruin's fatal road:
On him were our transgressions laid;
he bore the mighty load.

9 Wrong'd and oppress'd, how meekly he
in patient silence stood!
Mute, as the peaceful harmless lamb,
when brought to shed its blood.
10 Who can his generation tell?
from prison see him led!
With impious show of law condemn'd,
and number'd with the dead.

11 'Midst sinners low in dust he lay;
the rich a grave supply'd:
Unspotted was his blameless life;
unstain'd by sin he dy'd.
12 Yet God shall raise his head on high,
though thus he brought him low;
His sacred off'ring, when complete,
shall terminate his woe.

13 For, saith the Lord, my pleasure then
shall prosper in his hand;
His shall a num'rous offspring be,
and still his honours stand.
14 His soul, rejoicing, shall behold
the purchase of his pain;
And all the guilty whom he sav'd
shall bless Messiah's reign.

15 He with the great shall share the spoil,
and baffle all his foes;
Though rank'd with sinners, here he
a conqueror he rose. [fell
16 He dy'd to bear the guilt of men,
that sin might be forgiv'n:
He lives to bless them and defend,
and plead their cause in heav'n.

26. Isaiah lv.

1 HO! ye that thirst, approach the
where living waters flow: [spring
Free to that sacred fountain all
without a price may go.
2 How long to streams of false delight
will ye in crowds repair?
How long your strength and substance
waste
on trifles, light as air?

3 My stores afford those rich supplies
that health and pleasure give:
Incline your ear, and come to me;
the soul that hears shall live.
4 With you a cov'nant I will make,
that ever shall endure;
The hope which gladden'd David's
my mercy hath made sure. [heart

5 Behold he comes! your leader comes,
with might and honour crown'd;
A witness who shall spread my name
to earth's remotest bound.
6 See! nations hasten to his call
from ev'ry distant shore;
Isles, yet unknown, shall bow to him,
and Isr'el's God adore.

7 Seek ye the Lord while yet his ear
is open to your call:
While offer'd mercy still is near,
before his footstool fall.
8 Let sinners quit their evil ways,
their evil thoughts forego:
And God, when they to him return,
returning grace will show.

9 He pardons with o'erflowing love:
for, hear the voice divine!
My nature is not like to yours,
nor like your ways are mine:
10 But far as heav'n's resplendent orbs
beyond earth's spot extend,

As far my thoughts, as far my ways,
your ways and thoughts transcend.
11 And as the rains from heav'n distil,
nor thither mount again,
But swell the earth with fruitful juice,
and all its tribes sustain:
12 So not a word that flows from me
shall ineffectual fall;
But universal nature prove
obedient to my call.
13 With joy and peace shall then be led
the glad converted lands;
The lofty mountains then shall sing,
the forests clap their hands.
14 Where briers grew 'midst barren wilds,
shall firs and myrtles spring;
And nature, through its utmost bounds,
eternal praises sing.

27. Isaiah lvii. 15, 16.

1 THUS speaks the high and lofty One;
ye tribes of earth, give ear;
The words of your Almighty King
with sacred rev'rence hear:
2 Amidst the majesty of heav'n
my throne is fix'd on high;
And through eternity I hear
the praises of the sky:
3 Yet, looking down, I visit oft
the humble hallow'd cell;
And with the penitent who mourn
'tis my delight to dwell;
4 The downcast spirit to revive,
the sad in soul to cheer;
And from the bed of dust the man
of heart contrite to rear.
5 With me dwells no relentless wrath
against the human race;
The souls which I have form'd shall
a refuge in my grace. [find

28. Isaiah lviii. 5—9.

1 ATTEND, and mark the solemn fast
which to the Lord is dear;
Disdain the false unhallow'd mask
which vain dissemblers wear.
2 Do I delight in sorrow's dress?
saith he who reigns above;
The hanging head and rueful look,
will they attract my love?
3 Let such as feel oppression's lead
thy tender pity share:
And let the helpless, homeless poor,
be thy peculiar care.
4 Go, bid the hungry orphan be
with thy abundance blest;
Invite the wand'rer to thy gate,
and spread the couch of rest.
5 Let him who pines with piercing cold
by thee be warm'd and clad;
Be thine the blissful task to make
the downcast mourner glad.
6 Then, bright as morning, shall come
in peace and joy, thy days; [forth,
And glory from the Lord above
shall shine on all thy ways.

29. Lament. iii. 37—40.

1 AMIDST the mighty, where is he
who saith, and it is done?
Each varying scene of changeful life
is from the Lord alone.
2 He gives in gladsome bow'rs to dwell,
or clothes in sorrow's shroud;
His hand hath form'd the light, his hand
hath form'd the dark'ning cloud.
3 Why should a living man complain
beneath the chast'ning rod?
Our sins afflict us; and the cross
must bring us back to God.
4 O sons of men! with anxious care
your hearts and ways explore;
Return from paths of vice to God:
return, and sin no more!

30. Hosea vi. 1—4.

1 COME, let us to the Lord our God
with contrite hearts return;
Our God is gracious, nor will leave
the desolate to mourn.
2 His voice commands the tempest forth,
and stills the stormy wave;
And though his arm be strong to smite,
'tis also strong to save.
3 Long hath the night of sorrow reign'd;
the dawn shall bring us light:
God shall appear, and we shall rise
with gladness in his sight.
4 Our hearts, if God we seek to know,
shall know him, and rejoice;
His coming like the morn shall be,
like morning songs his voice.
5 As dew upon the tender herb,
diffusing fragrance round;
As show'rs that usher in the spring,
and cheer the thirsty ground:
6 So shall his presence bless our souls,
and shed a joyful light;
That hallow'd morn shall chase away
the sorrows of the night.

31. Micah vi. 6—9.

1 THUS speaks the heathen: How shall man
the Pow'r Supreme adore?
With what accepted off'rings come
his mercy to implore?
2 Shall clouds of incense to the skies
with grateful odour speed?
Or victims from a thousand hills
upon the altar bleed?

3 Does justice nobler blood demand
to save the sinner's life?
Shall, trembling, in his offspring's side
the father plunge the knife?
4 No: God rejects the bloody rites
which blindfold zeal began;
His oracles of truth proclaim
the message brought to man.

5 He what is good hath clearly shown,
O favour'd race! to thee;
And what doth God require of those
who bend to him the knee?
6 Thy deeds, let sacred justice rule;
thy heart, let mercy fill;
And, walking humbly with thy God,
to him resign thy will.

32. HABAK. iii. 17, 18.

1 WHAT though no flow'rs the fig-tree clothe,
though vines their fruit deny,
The labour of the olive fail,
and fields no meat supply?
2 Though from the fold, with sad sur-prise,
my flock cut off I see;
Though famine pine in empty stalls,
where herds were wont to be?

3 Yet in the Lord will I be glad,
and glory in his love;
In him I'll joy, who will the God
of my salvation prove.
4 He to my tardy feet shall lend
the swiftness of the roe;
Till, rais'd on high, I safely dwell
beyond the reach of woe.

5 God is the treasure of my soul,
the source of lasting joy;
A joy which want shall not impair,
nor death itself destroy

33. MATTH. vi. 9—14.

1 FATHER of all! we bow to thee,
who dwell'st in heav'n ador'd;
But present still through all thy works,
the universal Lord.
2 For ever hallow'd be thy name
by all beneath the skies;
And may thy kingdom still advance,
till grace to glory rise.

3 A grateful homage may we yield,
with hearts resign'd to thee;
And as in heav'n thy will is done,
on earth so let it be.
4 From day to day we humbly own
the hand that feeds us still:
Give us our bread, and teach to rest
contented in thy will.

5 Our sins before thee we confess;
O may they be forgiv'n!
As we to others mercy show,
we mercy beg from Heav'n.

6 Still let thy grace our life direct;
from evil guard our way;
And in temptation's fatal path
permit us not to stray.

7 For thine the pow'r, the kingdom
all glory's due to thee:
Thine from eternity they were,
and thine shall ever be.

34. MATTH. xi. 25, to the end.

1 THUS spoke the Saviour of the world,
and rais'd his eyes to heav'n:
To thee, O Father! Lord of all,
eternal praise be giv'n.
2 Thou to the pure and lowly heart
hast heav'nly truth reveal'd;
Which from the self-conceited mind
thy wisdom hath conceal'd.

3 Ev'n so! thou, Father, hast ordain'd
thy high decree to stand;
Nor men nor angels may presume
the reason to demand.
4 Thou only know'st the Son: from thee
my kingdom I receive;
And none the Father know but they
who in the Son believe.

5 Come then to me, all ye who groan,
with guilt and fears opprest;
Resign to me the willing heart,
and I will give you rest.
6 Take up my yoke, and learn of me
the meek and lowly mind;
And thus your weary troubled souls
repose and peace shall find.

7 For light and gentle is my yoke;
the burden I impose
Shall ease the heart, which groan'd
beneath a load of woes.

35. MATTH. xxvi. 26—29.

1 'TWAS on that night, when doom'd to know
The eager rage of ev'ry foe,
That night in which he was betray'd,
The Saviour of the world took bread:
2 And, after thanks and glory giv'n
To him that rules in earth and heav'n,
That symbol of his flesh he broke,
And thus to all his foll'wers spoke:

3 My broken body thus I give
For you, for all; take, eat, and live;
And oft the sacred rite renew,
That brings my wondrous love to view.
4 Then in his hands the cup he rais'd,
And God anew he thank'd and prais'd;
While kindness in his bosom glow'd,
And from his lips salvation flow'd:

5 My blood I thus pour forth, he cries,
To cleanse the soul in sin that lies;
In this the covenant is seal'd,
And Heav'n's eternal grace reveal'd.

6 With love to man this cup is fraught,
Let all partake the sacred draught;
Through latest ages let it pour,
In mem'ry of my dying hour.

36. LUKE i. 46—56.

1 MY soul and spirit, fill'd with joy,
my God and Saviour praise,
Whose goodness did from poor estate
his humble handmaid raise.
2 Me bless'd of God, the God of might,
all ages shall proclaim;
From age to age his mercy lasts,
and holy is his name.
3 Strength with his arm th' Almighty
shew'd;
the proud his looks abas'd;
He cast the mighty to the ground,
the meek to honour rais'd.
4 The hungry with good things were fill'd,
the rich with hunger pin'd:
He sent his servant Isr'el help,
and call'd his love to mind;
5 Which to our fathers' ancient race
his promise did ensure,
To Abrah'm and his chosen seed,
for ever to endure.

37. LUKE ii. 8—15.

1 WHILE humble shepherds watch'd
their flocks
in Bethleh'm's plains by night,
An angel sent from heav'n appear'd,
and fill'd the plains with light.
2 Fear not, he said, (for sudden dread
had seiz'd their troubled mind;)
Glad tidings of great joy I bring
to you, and all mankind.
3 To you, in David's town, this day
is born, of David's line,
The Saviour, who is Christ the Lord;
and this shall be the sign:
4 The heav'nly Babe you there shall find
to human view display'd,
All meanly wrapt in swaddling-bands,
and in a manger laid.
5 Thus spake the seraph; and forthwith
appear'd a shining throng
Of angels, praising God; and thus
address'd their joyful song:
6 All glory be to God on high,
and to the earth be peace;
Good-will is shown by Heav'n to men,
and never more shall cease.

38. LUKE ii. 25—33.

1 JUST and devout old Simeon liv'd;
to him it was reveal'd,
That Christ, the Lord, his eyes should
ere death his eyelids seal'd. [see
2 For this consoling gift of Heav'n
to Isr'el's fallen state,
From year to year, with patient hope
the aged saint did wait.
3 For did he wait in vain; for, lo!
revolving years brought round,
In season due, the happy day,
which all his wishes crown'd.
4 When Jesus, to the temple brought
by Mary's pious care,
As Heav'n's appointed rites requir'd,
to God was offer'd there,
5 Simeon into those sacred courts
a heav'nly impulse drew;
He saw the Virgin hold her Son,
and straight his Lord he knew.
6 With holy joy upon his face
the good old father smil'd;
Then fondly in his wither'd arms
he clasp'd the promis'd child:
7 And while he held the heav'n-born
ordain'd to bless mankind, [Babe,
Thus spoke, with earnest look, and
exulting, yet resign'd: [heart
8 Now, Lord! according to thy word,
let me in peace depart;
Mine eyes have thy salvation seen,
and gladness fills my heart.
9 At length my arms embrace my Lord,
now let their vigour cease;
At last my eyes my Saviour see,
now let them close in peace.
10 This great salvation, long prepar'd,
and now disclos'd to view,
Hath prov'd thy love was constant still,
and promises were true.
11 That Sun I now behold, whose light
shall heathen darkness chase,
And rays of brightest glory pour
around thy chosen race.

39. LUKE iv. 18, 19.

1 HARK, the glad sound, the Saviour
comes!
the Saviour promis'd long;
Let ev'ry heart exult with joy,
and ev'ry voice be song!
2 On him the Spirit, largely shed,
exerts its sacred fire;
Wisdom and might, and zeal and love,
his holy breast inspire.
3 He comes! the pris'ners to relieve,
in Satan's bondage held;
The gates of brass before him burst,
the iron fetters yield.
4 He comes! from dark'ning scales of
to clear the inward sight; [vice
And on the eye-balls of the blind
to pour celestial light.
5 He comes! the broken hearts to bind,
the bleeding souls to cure;
And with the treasures of his grace
t' enrich the humble poor.

6 The sacred year has now revolv'd,
accepted of the Lord,
When Heav'n's high promise is fulfill'd,
and Isr'el is restor'd.

7 Our glad hosannahs, Prince of Peace!
thy welcome shall proclaim;
And heav'n's exalted arches ring
with thy most honour'd name.

40. Luke xv. 13—25.

1 THE wretched prodigal behold
in mis'ry lying low,
Whom vice had sunk from high estate,
and plung'd in want and woe.
2 While I, despis'd and scorn'd, he cries,
starve in a foreign land,
The meanest in my father's house
is fed with bounteous hand:

3 I'll go, and with a mourning voice,
fall down before his face:
Father! I've sinn'd 'gainst Heav'n and thee,
nor can deserve thy grace.
4 He said, and hasten'd to his home,
to seek his father's love:
The father sees him from afar,
and all his bowels move.

5 He ran, and fell upon his neck,
embrac'd and kiss'd his son:
The grieving prodigal bewail'd
the follies he had done.
6 No more, my father, can I hope
to find paternal grace;
My utmost wish is to obtain
a servant's humble place.

7 Bring forth the fairest robe for him,
the joyful father said;
To him each mark of grace be shown,
and ev'ry honour paid.
8 A day of feasting I ordain;
let mirth and song abound:
My son was dead, and lives again!
was lost, and now is found!

9 Thus joy abounds in paradise
among the hosts of heav'n,
Soon as the sinner quits his sins,
repents, and is forgiv'n.

41. John iii. 14—19.

1 AS when the Hebrew prophet rais'd
the brazen serpent high,
The wounded look'd, and straight were cur'd,
the people ceas'd to die:
2 So from the Saviour on the cross
a healing virtue flows;
Who looks to him with lively faith
is sav'd from endless woes.

3 For God gave up his Son to death,
so gen'rous was his love,
That all the faithful might enjoy
eternal life above.
4 Not to condemn the sons of men
the Son of God appear'd;
No weapons in his hand are seen,
nor voice of terror heard:

5 He came to raise our fallen state,
and our lost hopes restore:
Faith leads us to the mercy-seat,
and bids us fear no more.
6 But vengeance just for ever lies
on all the rebel race,
Who God's eternal Son despise,
and scorn his offer'd grace.

42. John xiv. 1—7.

1 LET not your hearts with anxious thoughts
be troubled or dismay'd;
But trust in Providence divine,
and trust my gracious aid.
2 I to my Father's house return;
there num'rous mansions stand,
And glory manifold abounds
through all the happy land.

3 I go your entrance to secure,
and your abode prepare;
Regions unknown are safe to you,
when I, your friend, am there.
4 Thence shall I come, when ages close,
to take you home with me;
There we shall meet to part no more,
and still together be.

5 I am the way, the truth, the life:
no son of human race,
But such as I conduct and guide,
shall see my Father's face.

43. John xiv. 25—28.

1 YOU now must hear my voice no more;
my Father calls me home;
But soon from heav'n the Holy Ghost,
your Comforter, shall come.
2 That heav'nly Teacher, sent from God,
shall your whole soul inspire;
Your minds shall fill with sacred truth,
your hearts with sacred fire.

3 Peace is the gift I leave with you;
my peace to you bequeath;
Peace that shall comfort you through life,
and cheer your souls in death.
4 I give not as the world bestows,
with promise false and vain;
Nor cares, nor fears, shall wound the heart
in which my words remain.

44. John xix. 30.

1 BEHOLD the Saviour on the cross,
a spectacle of woe!

See from his agonizing wounds
the blood incessant flow;
2 Till death's pale ensigns o'er his cheek
and trembling lips were spread;
Till light forsook his closing eyes,
and life his drooping head!

3 'Tis finish'd—was his latest voice;
these sacred accents o'er,
He bow'd his head, gave up the ghost,
and suffer'd pain no more.
4 'Tis finish'd—The Messiah dies
for sins, but not his own;
The great redemption is complete,
and Satan's pow'r o'erthrown.

5 'Tis finish'd—All his groans are past;
his blood, his pain, and toils,
Have fully vanquished our foes,
and crown'd him with their spoils.
6 'Tis finish'd—Legal worship ends,
and gospel ages run;
All old things now are past away,
and a new world begun.

45. Romans ii. 4—8.

1 UNGRATEFUL sinners! whence this scorn
of God's long-suff'ring grace?
And whence this madness that insults
th' Almighty to his face?
2 Is it because his patience waits,
and pitying bowels move,
You multiply transgressions more,
and scorn his offer'd love?

3 Dost thou not know, self-blinded man!
his goodness is design'd
To wake repentance in thy soul,
and melt thy harden'd mind?
4 And wilt thou rather chuse to meet
th' Almighty as thy foe,
And treasure up his wrath in store
against the day of woe?

5 Soon shall that fatal day approach
that must thy sentence seal,
And righteous judgments, now unknown,
in awful pomp reveal;
6 While they, who full of holy deeds
to glory seek to rise,
Continuing patient to the end,
shall gain th' immortal prize.

46. Romans iii. 19—22.

1 VAIN are the hopes the sons of men
upon their works have built;
Their hearts by nature are unclean,
their actions full of guilt.
2 Silent let Jew and Gentile stand,
without one vaunting word;
And, humbled low, confess their guilt
before heav'n's righteous Lord.

3 No hope can on the law be built
of justifying grace;
The law, that shows the sinner's guilt,
condemns him to his face.
4 Jesus! how glorious is thy grace!
when in thy name we trust,
Our faith receives a righteousness
that makes the sinner just.

47. Romans vi. 1—7.

1 AND shall we then go on to sin,
that grace may more abound?
Great God, forbid that such a thought
should in our breast be found!
2 When to the sacred font we came,
did not the rite proclaim,
That, wash'd from sin, and all its stains,
new creatures we became?

3 With Christ the Lord we dy'd to sin;
with him to life we rise,
To life, which now begun on earth,
is perfect in the skies.
4 Too long enthrall'd to Satan's sway,
we now are slaves no more;
For Christ hath vanquish'd death and sin,
our freedom to restore.

48. Romans viii. 31, to the end.

1 LET Christian faith and hope dispel
the fears of guilt and woe;
The Lord Almighty is our friend,
and who can prove a foe?
2 He who his Son, most dear and lov'd,
gave up for us to die,
Shall he not all things freely give
that goodness can supply?

3 Behold the best, the greatest gift,
of everlasting love!
Behold the pledge of peace below,
and perfect bliss above!
4 Where is the judge who can condemn,
since God hath justify'd?
Who shall charge those with guilt or crime
for whom the Saviour dy'd?

5 The Saviour dy'd, but rose again
triumphant from the grave;
And pleads our cause at God's right hand,
omnipotent to save.
6 Who then can e'er divide us more
from Jesus and his love,
Or break the sacred chain that binds
the earth to heav'n above?

7 Let troubles rise, and terrors frown,
and days of darkness fall;
Through him all dangers we'll defy,
and more than conquer all.
8 Nor death nor life, nor earth nor hell,
nor time's destroying sway,
Can e'er efface us from his heart,
or make his love decay.

9 Each future period that will bless,
as it has bless'd the past;
He lov'd us from the first of time,
he loves us to the last.

49. 1 Corinth. xiii.

1 THOUGH perfect eloquence adorn'd
my sweet persuading tongue,
Though I could speak in higher strains
than ever angel sung;
2 Though prophecy my soul inspir'd,
and made all myst'ries plain:
Yet, were I void of Christian love,
these gifts were all in vain.

3 Nay, though my faith with boundless
pow'r
ev'n mountains could remove,
I still am nothing, if I'm void
of charity and love.
4 Although with lib'ral hand I gave
my goods the poor to feed,
Nay, gave my body to the flames,
still fruitless were the deed.

5 Love suffers long; love envies not;
but love is ever kind;
She never boasteth of herself,
nor proudly lifts the mind.
6 Love harbours no suspicious thought,
is patient to the bad;
Griev'd when she hears of sins and
and in the truth is glad. [crimes,

7 Love no unseemly carriage shows,
nor selfishly confin'd;
She glows with social tenderness,
and feels for all mankind.
8 Love beareth much, much she believes,
and still she hopes the best;
Love meekly suffers many a wrong,
though sore with hardship press'd.

9 Love still shall hold an endless reign
in earth and heav'n above,
When tongues shall cease, and pro-
and ev'ry gift but love. [phets fail,

10 Here all our gifts imperfect are;
but better days draw nigh,
When perfect light shall pour its rays,
and all those shadows fly.

11 Like children here we speak and think,
amus'd with childish toys;
But when our pow'rs their manhood
reach,
we'll scorn our present joys.
12 Now dark and dim, as through a glass,
are God and truth beheld;
Then shall we see as face to face,
and God shall be unvail'd.

13 Faith, Hope, and Love, now dwell on
earth,
and earth by them is blest;
But Faith and Hope must yield to Love,
of all the graces best.
14 Hope shall to full fruition rise,
and Faith be sight above:
These are the means, but this the end;
for saints for ever love.

50. 1 Corinth. xv. 52, to the end.

1 WHEN the last trumpet's awful
voice
this rending earth shall shake,
When op'ning graves shall yield their
and dust to life awake; [charge,

2 Those bodies that corrupted fell
shall incorrupted rise,
And mortal forms shall spring to life
immortal in the skies.

3 Behold what heav'nly prophets sung
is now at last fulfill'd,
That Death should yield his ancient
reign,
and, vanquish'd, quit the field.
4 Let Faith exalt her joyful voice,
and thus begin to sing;
O Grave! where is thy triumph now?
and where, O Death! thy sting?

5 Thy sting was sin, and conscious guilt,
'twas this that arm'd thy dart;
The law gave sin its strength and force
to pierce the sinner's heart:
6 But God, whose name be ever bless'd!
disarms that foe we dread,
And makes us conqu'rors when we die,
through Christ our living head.

7 Then stedfast let us still remain,
though dangers rise around,
And in the work prescrib'd by God
yet more and more abound;
8 Assur'd that though we labour now,
we labour not in vain,
But, through the grace of heav'n's great
Lord,
th' eternal crown shall gain.

51. 2 Corinth. v. 1—11.

1 SOON shall this earthly frame, dis-
in death and ruins lie; [solv'd,
But better mansions wait the just,
prepar'd above the sky.
2 An house eternal, built by God,
shall lodge the holy mind,
When once those prison-walls have
by which 'tis now confin'd. [fall'n

3 Hence, burden'd with a weight of clay,
we groan beneath the load,
Waiting the hour which sets us free,
and brings us home to God.
4 We know, that when the soul, un-
shall from this body fly, [cloth'd,
'Twill animate a purer frame
with life that cannot die.

5 Such are the hopes that cheer the
just;
these hopes their God hath giv'n;
His Spirit is the earnest now,
and seals their souls for heav'n.
6 We walk by faith of joys to come,
faith grounded on his word;

But while this body is our home,
we mourn an absent Lord.
7 What faith rejoices to believe,
we long and pant to see;
We would be absent from the flesh,
and present, Lord! with thee.
8 But still, or here, or going hence,
to this our labours tend,
That, in his service spent, our life
may in his favour end.

9 For, lo! before the Son, as judge,
th' assembled world shall stand
To take the punishment or prize
from his unerring hand.
10 Impartial retributions then
our diff'rent lives await;
Our present actions, good or bad,
shall fix our future fate.

52. Philip. ii. 6—12.

1 YE who the name of Jesus bear,
his sacred steps pursue;
And let that mind which was in him
be also found in you.
2 Though in the form of God he was,
his only Son declar'd,
Nor to be equally ador'd
as robb'ry did regard;
3 His greatness he for us abas'd,
for us his glory vail'd;
In human likeness dwelt on earth
his majesty conceal'd:
4 Nor only as a man appears,
but stoops a servant low;
Submits to death, nay, bears the cross,
in all its shame and woe.

5 Hence God this gen'rous love to men
with honours just hath crown'd,
And rais'd the name of Jesus far
above all names renown'd:
6 That at this name, with sacred awe,
each humble knee should bow,
Of hosts immortal in the skies,
and nations spread below:

7 That all the prostrate pow'rs of hell
might tremble at his word,
And ev'ry tribe, and ev'ry tongue,
confess that he is Lord.

53. 1 Thessal. iv. 13, to the end.

1 TAKE comfort, Christians, when your friends
in Jesus fall asleep;
Their better being never ends;
why then dejected weep?
2 Why inconsolable, as those
to whom no hope is giv'n?
Death is the messenger of peace,
and calls the soul to heav'n.
3 As Jesus dy'd, and rose again
victorious from the dead;
So his disciples rise, and reign
with their triumphant Head.
4 The time draws nigh, when from the clouds
Christ shall with shouts descend,
And the last trumpet's awful voice
the heav'ns and earth shall rend.

5 Then they who live shall changed be,
and they who sleep shall wake;
The graves shall yield their ancient charge,
and earth's foundations shake.
6 The saints of God, from death set free,
with joy shall mount on high;
The heav'nly hosts with praises loud
shall meet them in the sky.

7 Together to their Father's house
with joyful hearts they go;
And dwell for ever with the Lord,
beyond the reach of woe.
8 A few short years of evil past,
we reach the happy shore,
Where death-divided friends at last
shall meet, to part no more.

54. 2 Tim. i. 12.

1 I'M not asham'd to own my Lord,
or to defend his cause,
Maintain the glory of his cross,
and honour all his laws.
2 Jesus, my Lord! I know his name,
his name is all my boast;
Nor will he put my soul to shame,
nor let my hope be lost.

3 I know that safe with him remains,
protected by his pow'r,
What I've committed to his trust,
till the decisive hour.
4 Then will he own his servant's name
before his Father's face,
And in the New Jerusalem
appoint my soul a place.

55. 2 Tim. iv. 6, 7, 8, 18.

1 MY race is run; my warfare's o'er;
the solemn hour is nigh,
When, offer'd up to God, my soul
shall wing its flight on high.
2 With heav'nly weapons I have fought
the battles of the Lord;
Finish'd my course, and kept the faith,
depending on his word.

3 Henceforth there is laid up for me
a crown which cannot fade;
The righteous Judge at that great day
shall place it on my head.
4 Nor hath the Sov'reign Lord decreed
this prize for me alone;
But for all such as love like me
th' appearance of his Son.

5 From ev'ry snare and evil work
his grace shall me defend,
And to his heav'nly kingdom safe
shall bring me in the end.

56. Titus iii. 3—9.

1 HOW wretched was our former state,
when, slaves to Satan's sway,
With hearts disorder'd and impure,
o'erwhelm'd in sin we lay!
2 But, O my soul! for ever praise,
for ever love his name,
Who turn'd thee from the fatal paths
of folly, sin, and shame.

3 Vain and presumptuous is the trust
which in our works we place,
Salvation from a higher source
flows to the human race.
4 'Tis from the mercy of our God
that all our hopes begin;
His mercy sav'd our souls from death,
and wash'd our souls from sin.

5 His Spirit, through the Saviour shed,
its sacred fire imparts,
Refines our dross, and love divine
rekindles in our hearts.
6 Thence rais'd from death, we live anew;
and, justify'd by grace,
We hope in glory to appear,
and see our Father's face.

7 Let all who hold this faith and hope
in holy deeds abound;
Thus faith approves itself sincere,
by active virtue crown'd.

57. Heb. iv. 14, to the end.

1 JESUS, the Son of God, who once
for us his life resign'd,
Now lives in heav'n, our great High
and never-dying friend. [Priest,
2 Through life, through death, let us to
with constancy adhere; [him
Faith shall supply new strength, and
shall banish ev'ry fear. [hope

3 To human weakness not severe
is our High Priest above;
His heart o'erflows with tenderness,
his bowels melt with love.
4 With sympathetic feelings touch'd,
he knows our feeble frame;
He knows what sore temptations are,
for he has felt the same.

5 But though he felt temptation's pow'r,
unconquer'd he remain'd;
Nor, 'midst the frailty of our frame,
by sin was ever stain'd.
6 As, in the days of feeble flesh,
he pour'd forth cries and tears;
So, though exalted, still he feels
what ev'ry Christian bears.

7 Then let us, with a filial heart,
come boldly to the throne
Of grace supreme, to tell our griefs,
and all our wants make known:
8 That mercy we may there obtain
for sins and errors past,
And grace to help in time of need,
while days of trial last.

58. *Another Version of the same Passage.*

1 WHERE high the heav'nly temple
stands,
The house of God not made with hands,
A great High Priest our nature wears,
The guardian of mankind appears.
2 He who for men their surety stood,
And pour'd on earth his precious blood,
Pursues in heav'n his mighty plan,
The Saviour and the friend of man.

3 Though now ascended up on high,
He bends on earth a brother's eye;
Partaker of the human name,
He knows the frailty of our frame.
4 Our fellow-suff'rer yet retains
A fellow-feeling of our pains;
And still remembers in the skies
His tears, his agonies, and cries.

5 In ev'ry pang that rends the heart,
The Man of sorrows had a part;
He sympathizes with our grief,
And to the suff'rer sends relief.
6 With boldness, therefore, at the throne,
Let us make all our sorrows known;
And ask the aids of heav'nly pow'r
To help us in the evil hour.

59. Heb. xii. 1—13.

1 BEHOLD what witnesses unseen
encompass us around;
Men, once like us, with suff'ring try'd,
but now with glory crown'd.
2 Let us, with zeal like theirs inspir'd,
begin the Christian race,
And, freed from each encumb'ring
their holy footsteps trace. [weight,

3 Behold a witness nobler still,
who trod affliction's path,
Jesus, at once the finisher
and author of our faith.
4 He for the joy before him set,
so gen'rous was his love,
Endur'd the cross, despis'd the shame,
and now he reigns above.

5 If he the scorn of wicked men
with patience did sustain,
Becomes it those for whom he dy'd
to murmur or complain?
6 Have ye like him to blood, to death,
the cause of truth maintain'd?
And is your heav'nly Father's voice
forgotten or disdain'd?

7 My son, saith he, with patient mind
endure the chast'ning rod;
Believe, when by afflictions try'd,
that thou art lov'd by God.
8 His children thus most dear to him,
their heav'nly Father trains,
Through all the hard experience led
of sorrows and of pains.

9 We know he owns us for his sons,
when we correction share;
Nor wander as a bastard race,
without our Father's care.
10 A father's voice with rev'rence we
on earth have often heard;
The Father of our spirits now
demands the same regard.

11 Parents may err; but he is wise,
nor lifts the rod in vain;
His chast'nings serve to cure the soul
by salutary pain.
12 Affliction, when it spreads around,
may seem a field of woe;
Yet there, at last, the happy fruits
of righteousness shall grow.

13 Then let our hearts no more despond,
our hands be weak no more;
Still let us trust our Father's love,
his wisdom still adore.

60. Heb. xiii. 20, 21.

1 FATHER of peace, and God of love!
we own thy pow'r to save,
That pow'r by which our Shepherd rose
victorious o'er the grave.
2 Him from the dead thou brought'st again,
when, by his sacred blood,
Confirm'd and seal'd for evermore,
th' eternal cov'nant stood.

3 O may thy Spirit seal our souls,
and mould them to thy will,
That our weak hearts no more may stray,
but keep thy precepts still;
4 That to perfection's sacred height
we nearer still may rise,
And all we think, and all we do,
be pleasing in thine eyes.

61. 1 Pet. i. 3—5.

1 BLESS'D be the everlasting God,
the Father of our Lord;
Be his abounding mercy prais'd,
his majesty ador'd.
2 When from the dead he rais'd his Son,
and call'd him to the sky,
He gave our souls a lively hope
that they should never die.

3 To an inheritance divine
he taught our hearts to rise;
'Tis uncorrupted, undefil'd,
unfading in the skies.
4 Saints by the pow'r of God are kept
till the salvation come:
We walk by faith as strangers here;
but Christ shall call us home.

62. 2 Pet. iii. 3—14.

1 LO! in the last of days behold
a faithless race arise;
Their lawless lust their only rule;
and thus the scoffer cries;
2 Where is the promise, deem'd so true,
that spoke the Saviour near?
E'er since our fathers slept in dust,
no change has reach'd our ear.

3 Years roll'd on years successive glide,
since first the world began,
And on the tide of time still floats,
secure, the bark of man.
4 Thus speaks the scoffer; but his words
conceal the truth he knows,
That from the waters' dark abyss
the earth at first arose.

5 But when the sons of men began
with one consent to stray,
At Heav'n's command a deluge swept
the godless race away.
6 A diff'rent fate is now prepar'd
for Nature's trembling frame;
Soon shall her orbs be all enwrapt
in one devouring flame.

7 Reserv'd are sinners for the hour
when to the gulf below,
Arm'd with the hand of sov'reign pow'r,
the Judge consigns his foe.
8 Though now, ye just! the time appears
protracted, dark, unknown,
An hour, a day, a thousand years,
to heav'n's great Lord are one.

9 Still all may share his sov'reign grace,
in ev'ry change secure;
The meek, the suppliant contrite race,
shall find his mercy sure.
10 The contrite race he counts his friends,
forbids the suppliant's fall;
Condemns reluctant, but extends
the hope of grace to all.

11 Yet as the night-wrapp'd thief who lurks
to seize th' expected prize,
Thus steals the hour when Christ shall come,
and thunder rend the skies.
12 Then at the loud, the solemn peal,
the heav'ns shall burst away;
The elements shall melt in flame,
at Nature's final day.

13 Since all this frame of things must end
as Heav'n has so decreed,
How wise our inmost thoughts to guard,
and watch o'er ev'ry deed;

14 Expecting calm th' appointed hour,
when, Nature's conflict o'er,
A new and better world shall rise,
where sin is known no more.

63. 1 John iii. 1—4.

1 BEHOLD th' amazing gift of love
the Father hath bestow'd
On us, the sinful sons of men,
to call us sons of God!
2 Conceal'd as yet this honour lies,
by this dark world unknown,
A world that knew not when he came,
ev'n God's eternal Son.

3 High is the rank we now possess;
but higher we shall rise;
Though what we shall hereafter be
is hid from mortal eyes:
4 Our souls, we know, when he appears,
shall bear his image bright;
For all his glory, full disclos'd,
shall open to our sight.

5 A hope so great, and so divine,
may trials well endure;
And purge the soul from sense and sin,
as Christ himself is pure.

64. Rev. i. 5—9.

1 TO him that lov'd the souls of men,
and wash'd us in his blood,
To royal honours rais'd our head,
and made us priests to God;
2 To him let ev'ry tongue be praise,
and ev'ry heart be love!
All grateful honours paid on earth,
and nobler songs above!

3 Behold, on flying clouds he comes!
his saints shall bless the day;
While they that pierc'd him sadly
in anguish and dismay. [mourn
4 I am the First, and I the Last;
time centres all in me;
Th' Almighty God, who was, and is,
and evermore shall be.

65. Rev. v. 6, to the end.

1 BEHOLD the glories of the Lamb
amidst his Father's throne;
Prepare new honours for his name,
and songs before unknown.
2 Lo! elders worship at his feet;
the church adores around,
With vials full of odours rich,
and harps of sweetest sound.

3 These odours are the pray'rs of saints,
these sounds the hymns they raise;
God bends his ear to their requests,
he loves to hear their praise.
4 Who shall the Father's record search,
and hidden things reveal?
Behold the Son that record takes,
and opens ev'ry seal.

5 Hark how th' adoring hosts above
with songs surround the throne!
Ten thousand thousand are their tongues;
but all their hearts are one.
6 Worthy the Lamb that dy'd, they cry,
to be exalted thus;
Worthy the Lamb, let us reply,
for he was slain for us.

7 To him be pow'r divine ascrib'd,
and endless blessings paid;
Salvation, glory, joy, remain
for ever on his head!
8 Thou hast redeem'd us with thy blood,
and set the pris'ners free;
Thou mad'st us kings and priests to God,
and we shall reign with thee.

9 From ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tongue,
thou brought'st thy chosen race;
And distant lands and isles have shar'd
the riches of thy grace.
10 Let all that dwell above the sky,
or on the earth below,
With fields, and floods, and ocean's shores,
to thee their homage show.

11 To Him who sits upon the throne,
the God whom we adore,
And to the Lamb that once was slain,
be glory evermore.

66. Rev. vii. 13, to the end.

1 HOW bright these glorious spirits shine!
whence all their white array?
How came they to the blissful seats
of everlasting day?
2 Lo! these are they from suff'rings great,
who came to realms of light,
And in the blood of Christ have wash'd
those robes which shine so bright.

3 Now, with triumphal palms, they stand
before the throne on high,
And serve the God they love, amidst
the glories of the sky.
4 His presence fills each heart with joy,
tunes ev'ry mouth to sing:
By day, by night, the sacred courts
with glad hosannahs ring.

5 Hunger and thirst are felt no more,
nor suns with scorching ray;
God is their sun, whose cheering beams
diffuse eternal day.
6 The Lamb which dwells amidst the throne
shall o'er them still preside;
Feed them with nourishment divine,
and all their footsteps guide.

7 'Mong pastures green he'll lead his flock,
where living streams appear;
And God the Lord from ev'ry eye
shall wipe off ev'ry tear.

67. Rev. xxi. 1—9.

1 LO! what a glorious sight appears
to our admiring eyes!
The former seas have pass'd away,
the former earth and skies.
2 From heav'n the New Jerus'lem [comes,
all worthy of its Lord;
See all things now at last renew'd,
and paradise restor'd!

3 Attending angels shout for joy,
and the bright armies sing;
Mortals! behold the sacred seat
of your descending King!
4 The God of glory down to men
removes his bless'd abode;
He dwells with men; his people they,
and he his people's God.

5 His gracious hand shall wipe the tears
from ev'ry weeping eye:
And pains and groans, and griefs
and fears,
and death itself, shall die.

6 Behold, I change all human things!
saith he, whose words are true;
Lo! what was old is pass'd away,
and all things are made new!

7 I am the First, and I the Last,
through endless years the same;
I AM, is my memorial still,
and my eternal name.
8 Ho, ye that thirst! to you my grace
shall hidden streams disclose,
And open full the sacred spring,
whence life for ever flows.

9 Bless'd is the man that overcomes;
I'll own him for a son;
A rich inheritance rewards
the conquests he hath won.
10 But bloody hands and hearts unclean,
and all the lying race,
The faithless, and the scoffing crew,
who spurn at offer'd grace;

11 They, seiz'd by justice, shall be doom'd
in dark abyss to lie,
And in the fiery burning lake
the second death shall die.
12 O may we stand before the Lamb,
when earth and seas are fled,
And hear the Judge pronounce our [name
with blessings on our head!

HYMNS.

HYMN 1.

1 WHEN all thy mercies, O my God!
my rising soul surveys,
Transported with the view, I'm lost
in wonder, love, and praise.
2 O how shall words, with equal warmth,
the gratitude declare
That glows within my ravish'd heart!
but Thou canst read it there.

3 Thy Providence my life sustain'd,
and all my wants redrest,
When in the silent womb I lay,
and hung upon the breast.
4 To all my weak complaints and cries
thy mercy lent an ear,
Ere yet my feeble thoughts had learn'd
to form themselves in pray'r.

5 Unnumber'd comforts to my soul
thy tender care bestow'd,
Before my infant heart conceiv'd
from whom these comforts flow'd.
6 When in the slipp'ry paths of youth
with heedless steps I ran;
Thine arm, unseen, convey'd me safe,
and led me up to man:

7 Through hidden dangers, toils, and
it gently clear'd my way; [deaths,
And through the pleasing snares of
more to be fear'd than they. [vice,
8 When worn with sickness, oft hast
thou
with health renew'd my face;
And, when in sins and sorrows sunk,
reviv'd my soul with grace.

9 Thy bounteous hand with worldly bliss
hath made my cup run o'er;
And, in a kind and faithful friend,
hath doubled all my store.
10 Ten thousand thousand precious gifts
my daily thanks employ;
Nor is the least a cheerful heart,
that tastes these gifts with joy.

11 Through ev'ry period of my life
thy goodness I'll proclaim;
And after death, in distant worlds,
resume the glorious theme.
12 When nature fails, and day and night
divide thy works no more,
My ever grateful heart, O Lord,
thy mercy shall adore.
13 Through all eternity to thee
a joyful song I'll raise;
For, oh! eternity's too short
to utter all thy praise.

HYMN 2.

1 THE spacious firmament on high,
With all the blue ethereal sky,
And spangled heav'ns, a shining frame,
Their great Original proclaim.
2 Th' unweary'd sun, from day to day,
Does his Creator's pow'r display;
And publishes to ev'ry land
The work of an Almighty hand.

3 Soon as the ev'ning shades prevail,
The moon takes up the wondrous tale,
And, nightly to the list'ning earth,
Repeats the story of her birth;
4 While all the stars that round her
burn,
And all the planets in their turn,
Confirm the tidings as they roll,
And spread the truth from pole to
pole.

5 What though in solemn silence all
Move round the dark terrestrial ball?
What though no real voice, nor sound,
Amidst their radiant orbs be found?
6 In Reason's ear they all rejoice,
And utter forth a glorious voice;
For ever singing, as they shine,
"The hand that made us is divine."

HYMN 3.

1 WHEN rising from the bed of death,
o'erwhelm'd with guilt and fear,
I see my Maker face to face,
O how shall I appear!
2 If yet while pardon may be found,
and mercy may be sought,
My heart with inward horror shrinks,
and trembles at the thought;

3 When thou, O Lord! shalt stand dis-
in majesty severe, [clos'd
And sit in judgment on my soul,
O how shall I appear!
4 But thou hast told the troubled mind,
who doth her sins lament,
That timely grief for errors past
shall future woe prevent.

5 Then see the sorrows of my heart,
ere yet it be too late;

And hear my Saviour's dying groans,
to give those sorrows weight.
6 For never shall my soul despair
of mercy at thy throne,
Who knows thine only Son has dy'd
thy justice to atone.

HYMN 4.

1 BLEST morning! whose first dawning rays
beheld the Son of God
Arise triumphant from the grave,
and leave his dark abode.
2 Wrapt in the silence of the tomb
the great Redeemer lay,
Till the revolving skies had brought
the third, th' appointed day.

3 Hell and the grave combin'd their force
to hold our Lord in vain;
Sudden the Conqueror arose,
and burst their feeble chain.
4 To thy great name, Almighty Lord!
we sacred honours pay,
And loud hosannahs shall proclaim
the triumphs of the day.

5 Salvation and immortal praise
to our victorious King!
Let heav'n and earth, and rocks and seas,
with glad hosannahs ring.
6 To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
the God whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, and is
and shall be evermore

HYMN 5.

1 THE hour of my departure's come;
I hear the voice that calls me home:
At last, O Lord! let trouble cease,
And let thy servant die in peace.
2 The race appointed I have run;
The combat's o'er, the prize is won;
And now my witness is on high,
And now my record's in the sky.

3 Not in mine innocence I trust;
I bow before thee in the dust;
And through my Saviour's blood alone
I look for mercy at thy throne.
4 I leave the world without a tear,
Save for the friends I held so dear;
To heal their sorrows, Lord, descend,
And to the friendless prove a friend.

5 I come, I come, at thy command,
I give my spirit to thy hand;
Stretch forth thine everlasting arms,
And shield me in the last alarms.
6 The hour of my departure's come;
I hear the voice that calls me home:
Now, O my God! let trouble cease;
Now let thy servant die in peace.

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THE HOLY TRINITY

1

'Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.'

p c HOLY, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
p c Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
mf God in Three Persons, blessèd Trinity!

mp 2 Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea,
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

p 3 Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,
mf Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

p c 4 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
mf All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea;
p c Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
mf God in Three Persons, blessèd Trinity! AMEN.

2

'Through Him we have access by one Spirit unto the Father.'

m FATHER of heaven, whose love profound
A ransom for our souls hath found,
mp Before Thy throne we sinners bend;
To us Thy pardoning love extend.

m 2 Almighty Son, Incarnate Word,
Our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord,
mp Before Thy throne we sinners bend;
To us Thy saving grace extend.

m 3 Eternal Spirit, by whose breath
The soul is raised from sin and death,
mp Before Thy throne we sinners bend;
c To us Thy quickening power extend.

m 4 Jehovah—Father, Spirit, Son—
Mysterious Godhead, Three in One,
mp Before Thy throne we sinners bend;
c Grace, pardon, life to us extend.
AMEN.

3

'Who shall not fear Thee, O Lord, and glorify Thy name? for Thou only art holy.'

mp HOLY, holy, holy Lord God of hosts! when heaven and earth
Out of darkness, at Thy word,
Issued into glorious birth,
m All Thy works before Thee stood,
And Thine eye beheld them good,
While they sang with sweet accord,
mp 'Holy, holy, holy Lord!'

2 Holy, holy, holy! Thee.
One Jehovah evermore,
Father, Son, and Spirit, we,
p Dust and ashes, would adore;
Lightly by the world esteemed,
c From that world by Thee redeemed.
Sing we here with glad accord,
'Holy, holy, holy Lord!'

mf 3 'Holy, holy, holy!' all Heaven's triumphant choirs shall sing,
When the ransomed nations fall
At the footstool of their King;
f Then shall saints and seraphim,
Hearts and voices, swell one hymn,
Round the throne with full accord,
'Holy, holy, holy Lord!' AMEN.

4

'The name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.'

mp THOU, Lord, art God alone,
Veiling Thy burning throne
From mortal sight;
m Yet Thou our Father art,
c From whose all-pitying heart
Nor life nor death can part,
Nor depth nor height.

mf 2 We praise Thee, Holy One,
The Father's only Son,
His image bright;
Our Prophet, Priest, and King,
Who dost redemption bring,
Thy matchless grace we sing,
Thy saving might.

3 We praise Thee, Heavenly Guest,
Thou great and last bequest
Of love to man;
m O blessèd Paraclete,
Guide Thou our pilgrim feet,
Till glory shall complete
What grace began.

mf 4 We praise Thee, Father, Son,
And Spirit, Three in One,
God of all grace;
d Angels and cherubim,
With flaming seraphim,
Thy name, thrice holy, hymn
With veilèd face. AMEN.

5

'One cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts: the whole earth is full of His glory.'

m ROUND the Lord in glory seated,
Cherubim and seraphim
Filled His temple, and repeated
Each to each the alternate hymn:
f 'Lord, Thy glory fills the heaven;
Earth is with its fulness stored;
Unto Thee be glory given,
mp Holy, holy, holy Lord!'

mf 2 Heaven is still with glory ringing;
Earth takes up the angels' cry,
'Holy, holy, holy,' singing,
'Lord of hosts, the Lord most high!
f Lord, Thy glory fills the heaven;
Earth is with its fulness stored;
Unto Thee be glory given,
mp Holy, holy, holy Lord!'

m 3 With His seraph train before Him,
With His holy Church below,
Thus conspire we to adore Him,
Bid we thus our anthem flow:
f 'Lord, Thy glory fills the heaven;
Earth is with its fulness stored;
Unto Thee be glory given,
mp Holy, holy, holy Lord!' AMEN.

6

'Thou, even Thou, art Lord alone . . the host of heaven worshippeth Thee.'

mf WE praise, we worship Thee, O God;
Thy sovereign power we sound abroad;
All nations bow before Thy throne,
And Thee the great Jehovah own.

2 Loud hallelujahs to Thy name
Angels and seraphim proclaim;
By all the powers and thrones in heaven
Eternal praise to Thee is given.

mp 3 O holy, holy, holy Lord,
c Thou God of hosts, by all adored,
Earth and the heavens are full of Thee,
Thy light, Thy power, Thy majesty.

m 4 Apostles join the glorious throng,
c And swell the loud triumphant song;
Prophets and martyrs hear the sound,
And spread the hallelujah round.

f 5 Glory to Thee, O God most high:
Father, we praise Thy majesty,
The Son, the Spirit we adore,—
One Godhead, blest for evermore.
AMEN.

7

'Bless the Lord, ye His angels . . bless the Lord, all ye His hosts . . bless the Lord, all His works . . bless the Lord, O my soul.'

mf THEE God we praise, Thee Lord confess,
Thee Father everlasting bless;
The tribes of earth and air and sea
With wondrous voices worship Thee.

2 To Thee all angels ceaseless cry,
With all the princes of the sky;
The cherub and the seraph join,
And thus they hymn the praise Divine:

mp 3 'Thee holy, holy, holy King,
Lord of Sabaoth, Thee we sing;
f Both heaven and earth are full of Thee,
Father of boundless majesty.'

mf 4 Thee the apostles' glorious choir,
Thee prophets with their tongues of fire,
Thee white-robed hosts of martyrs bright,
All serve and praise by day and night.

5 Thee through the earth Thy saints confess;
Thee, Father infinite, they bless,
Thee, true, Divine, and only Son,
Thee, Holy Spirit—Three in One.

AMEN.

8

'Sing praises unto His name.'

mf SOUND aloud Jehovah's praises;
Tell abroad the awful name;
Heaven the ceaseless anthem raises,
Let the earth her God proclaim,—
m God, the hope of every nation,
God, the source of consolation,
mp Holy, blessèd Trinity!

m 2 This the name from ancient ages
Hidden in its dazzling light;
This the name that kings and sages
Prayed and strove to know aright,
mf Through God's wondrous incarnation
Now revealed the world's salvation,
Ever blessèd Trinity!

m 3 Into this great name and holy
We all tribes and tongues baptize;
Thus the Highest owns the lowly,
c Homeward, heavenward bids them rise,
Gathers them from every nation,
Bids them join in adoration
Of the blessèd Trinity!

m 4 In this name the heart rejoices,
Pouring forth its secret prayer;
mf In this name we lift our voices,
And our common faith declare,
Offering praise and supplication,
And the thankful life's oblation,
To the blessèd Trinity!

m 5 Still Thy name o'er earth and ocean
Shall be carried, 'God is love.'
mp Whispered by the heart's devotion,
m Echoed by the choirs above,
Hallowed through all worlds for ever,
mf Lord, of life the only Giver,
Blessèd, glorious Trinity!

AMEN.

9

'Sing forth the honour of His name: make His praise glorious.'

mf SING to the Lord a joyful song,
Lift up your hearts, your voices raise;
To us His gracious gifts belong,
To Him our songs of love and praise.

f *For He is Lord of heaven and earth,*
Whom angels serve and saints adore,
The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
To whom be praise for evermore.

m 2 For life and love, for rest and food,
For daily help and nightly care,
mf Sing to the Lord, for He is good,
And praise His name, for it is fair.

m 3 For strength to those who on Him wait
His truth to prove, His will to do,
mf Praise ye our God, for He is great,
Trust in His name, for it is true.

m 4 For joys untold, that from above
Cheer those who love His sweet employ,
mf Sing to our God, for He is love,
Exalt His name, for it is joy.

AMEN.

10

'Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb.'

mf GLORY be to God the Father,
Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit,—
Great Jehovah, Three in One!
f Glory, glory
While eternal ages run!

mf 2 Glory be to Him who loved us,
Washed us from each spot and stain!
Glory be to Him who bought us,
Made us kings with Him to reign!
Glory, glory
To the Lamb that once was slain!

f 3 Glory to the King of angels,
Glory to the Church's King,
Glory to the King of nations!
Heaven and earth, your praises bring;
Glory, glory
To the King of Glory bring! AMEN.

11

'God hath sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.'

m LEAD us, heavenly Father, lead us
O'er the world's tempestuous sea;
Guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
For we have no help but Thee,
Yet possessing every blessing
If our God our Father be.

mp 2 Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us;
All our weakness Thou dost know;
Thou didst tread this earth before us,
Thou didst feel its keenest woe;

p Lone and dreary, faint and weary,
Through the desert Thou didst go.

mf 3 Spirit of our God, descending,
Fill our hearts with heavenly joy,
Love with every passion blending,
Pleasure that can never cloy;

f Thus provided, pardoned, guided,
Nothing can our peace destroy.
AMEN.

Also Hymns

179, 189, 356, 388, 401, 429, 430, 458.

THE DIVINE GLORY IN CREATION

12

'Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, Thou art very great; Thou art clothed with honour and majesty.'

mf O WORSHIP the King all-glorious above,
O gratefully sing His power and His love,

c Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendour, and girded with praise.

mf 2 O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.

mp His chariots of wrath deep thunder-clouds form,
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

m 3 This earth with its store of wonders untold,
Almighty, Thy power hath founded of old,
Hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree,
And round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.

mf 4 Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;
It streams from the hills; it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

p 5 Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,

m In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail;

c Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

mf 6 O measureless Might! ineffable Love!
While angels delight to hymn Thee above,
The humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
With true adoration shall lisp to Thy praise. AMEN.

13

'The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth His handywork.'

mf THE spacious firmament on high,
With all the blue ethereal sky,
And spangled heavens, a shining frame,
Their great Original proclaim.
The unwearied sun, from day to day,
Does his Creator's power display,
And publishes to every land
The work of an almighty hand.

m 2 Soon as the evening shades prevail,
The moon takes up the wondrous tale,
And nightly to the listening earth
Repeats the story of her birth,
While all the stars that round her burn
And all the planets, in their turn,

c Confirm the tidings, as they roll,
And spread the truth from pole to pole.

mp 3 What though in solemn silence all
Move round the dark terrestrial ball,
What though no real voice nor sound
Amidst their radiant orbs be found;
m In reason's ear they all rejoice,
And utter forth a glorious voice,
f For ever singing, as they shine,
'The hand that made us is Divine.'
AMEN.

14

'The invisible things of Him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made.'

m THERE is a book, who runs may read,
Which heavenly truth imparts,
And all the lore its scholars need,
Pure eyes and Christian hearts.

2 The works of God, above, below,
Within us and around,
Are pages in that book, to show
How God Himself is found.

3 The glorious sky, embracing all,
Is like the Maker's love,
Wherewith encompassed, great and small
In peace and order move.

mp 4 The dew of heaven is like Thy grace:
It steals in silence down;
mf But, where it lights, the favoured place
By richest fruits is known.

5 One name, above all glorious names,
With its ten thousand tongues
The everlasting sea proclaims,
Echoing angelic songs.

m 6 Two worlds are ours; 't is only sin
Forbids us to descry
The mystic heaven and earth within,
Plain as the sea and sky.

7 Thou who hast given me eyes to see
And love this sight so fair,
c Give me a heart to find out Thee,
And read Thee everywhere. AMEN.

15

'By Him let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually.'

m FOR the beauty of the earth,
For the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies,
mf Christ, our God, to Thee we raise
This our sacrifice of praise.

m 2 For the beauty of each hour
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower,
Sun and moon and stars of light,
mf Christ, our God, to Thee we raise
This our sacrifice of praise.

m 3 For the joy of ear and eye,
For the heart and mind's delight,
For the mystic harmony
Linking sense to sound and sight,
mf Christ, our God, to Thee we raise
This our sacrifice of praise.

m 4 For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above,
For all gentle thoughts and mild,
mf Christ, our God, to Thee we raise
This our sacrifice of praise.

5 For each perfect gift of Thine
To our race so freely given,
Graces human and divine,
Flowers of earth and buds of heaven,
f Christ, our God, to Thee we raise
This our sacrifice of praise. AMEN.

THE DIVINE GLORY IN PROVIDENCE

16

'How precious are Thy thoughts unto me, O God! how great is the sum of them!'

m WHEN all Thy mercies, O my God,
My rising soul surveys,
c Transported with the view, I 'm lost
In wonder, love, and praise.

mp 2 To all my weak complaints and cries
Thy mercy lent an ear,
Ere yet my feeble thoughts had learned
To form themselves in prayer.

m 3 Unnumbered comforts to my soul
Thy tender care bestowed,
Before my infant heart conceived
From whom these comforts flowed.

4 When in the slippery paths of youth
With heedless steps I ran,
Thine arm, unseen, conveyed me safe,
And led me up to man;

5 Through hidden dangers, toils, and deaths
It gently cleared my way,
And through the pleasing snares of vice,
More to be feared than they.

mp 6 When worn with sickness, oft hast Thou
With health renewed my face,
And, when in sins and sorrows sunk,
Revived my soul with grace.

mf 7 Ten thousand thousand precious gifts
My daily thanks employ;
Nor is the least a cheerful heart,
That tastes these gifts with joy.

mp 8 When nature fails, and day and night
Divide Thy works no more,
f My ever-grateful heart, O Lord,
Thy mercy shall adore. AMEN.

17

'O give thanks unto the Lord; for He is good: for His mercy endureth for ever.'

mf LET us with a gladsome mind
Praise the Lord, for He is kind:
f For His mercies aye endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

mf 2 Let us sound His name abroad,
For of gods He is the God:
f For His mercies aye endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

m 3 He, with all-commanding might,
Filled the new-made world with light:
f For His mercies aye endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

m 4 All things living He doth feed;
His full hand supplies their need:
f For His mercies aye endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

m 5 He His chosen race did bless
In the wasteful wilderness:
f For His mercies aye endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

mp 6 He hath with a piteous eye
Looked upon our misery:
mf For His mercies aye endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

7 Let us then with gladsome mind
Praise the Lord, for He is kind:
f For His mercies aye endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure. AMEN.

18

'Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits.'

mf PRAISE, my soul, the King of heaven;
To His feet thy tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who like me His praise should sing?
f Praise Him, praise Him,
Praise the everlasting King.

mf 2 Praise Him for His grace and favour
To our fathers in distress;
Praise Him, still the same for ever,
Slow to chide and swift to bless:
f Praise Him, praise Him,
Glorious in His faithfulness.

mp 3 Father-like He tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame He knows;
In His hands He gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes:
f Praise Him, praise Him,
Widely as His mercy flows.

p 4 Frail as summer's flower we flourish;
Blows the wind and it is gone;
c But, while mortals rise and perish,
God endures unchanging on:
f Praise Him, praise Him,
Praise the high eternal One.

mf 5 Angels, help us to adore Him;
Ye behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before Him;
Dwellers all in time and space,
ff Praise Him, praise Him,
Praise with us the God of grace.
AMEN.

19

'The Lord will provide.'

m THOUGH troubles assail and dangers affright,
Though friends should all fail and foes all unite,
c Yet one thing secures us, whatever betide,
The Scripture assures us the Lord will provide.

m 2 The birds without barn or storehouse
are fed;
From them let us learn to trust for
our bread;
His saints what is fitting shall ne'er
be denied,
c So long as 't is written, 'The Lord
will provide.'

m 3 His call we obey, like Abram of
old,
Not knowing our way, but faith
makes us bold;
For, though we are strangers, we have
a good guide,
c And trust, in all dangers, the Lord
will provide.

m 4 No strength of our own or goodness
we claim;
Yet, since we have known the Saviour's great name,
In this our strong tower for safety
we hide,—
The Lord is our power, the Lord will
provide. AMEN.

20

'Now, therefore, our God, we thank Thee, and praise Thy glorious name.'

mf NOW thank we all our God,
With hearts and hands and
voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom His world rejoices,—
Who, from our mothers' arms,
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours to-day.

m 2 O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever-joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us,
And keep us in His grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

f 3 All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and Him who reigns
With Them in highest heaven,—
The one, eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore. AMEN.

21

'I will make darkness light before them, and crooked thing straight.'

m GOD moves in a mysterious way,
His wonders to perform;
c He plants His footsteps in the sea,
And rides upon the storm.

m 2 Deep in unfathomable mines
Of never-failing skill
He treasures up His bright designs,
And works His sovereign will.

mf 3 Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take;
The clouds ye so much dread
Are big with mercy, and shall break
In blessings on your head.

m 4 Judge not the Lord by feeble sense,
But trust Him for His grace;
Behind a frowning providence
He hides a smiling face.

5 His purposes will ripen fast,
Unfolding every hour;
The bud may have a bitter taste,
But sweet will be the flower.

mf 6 Blind unbelief is sure to err,
And scan His work in vain;
God is His own interpreter,
And He will make it plain. AMEN.

22

'The Lord reigneth; let the earth rejoice.'

f THE Lord is King! lift up thy
voice,
O earth, and, all ye heavens, rejoice:
From world to world the joy shall
ring,
'The Lord Omnipotent is King!'

mf 2 The Lord is King! (*m*) who then
shall dare
Resist His will, distrust His care,
Or murmur at His wise decrees,
Or doubt His royal promises?

mf 3 The Lord is King! (*mp*) child of the
dust,
The Judge of all the earth is just;
Holy and true are all His ways:
c Let every creature speak His praise.

mf 4 He reigns! ye saints, exalt your
strains;
Your God is King, your Father
reigns;
And He is at the Father's side,
The Man of Love, the Crucified.

m 5 Come, make your wants, your burdens known;
He will present them at the throne;
And angel bands are waiting there
His messages of love to bear.

f 6 One Lord, one empire, all secures;
He reigns, and life and death are yours:
ff Through earth and heaven one song shall ring,
'The Lord Omnipotent is King!'
AMEN.

Also Hymns
276-292, 423, 488-510.

THE DIVINE GLORY IN REDEMPTION

23

'Praise ye the Lord from the heavens: praise Him in the heights.'

mf PRAISE the Lord! ye heavens, adore Him;
Praise Him, angels, in the height;
Sun and moon, rejoice before Him,
Praise Him, all ye stars and light.

2 Praise the Lord! for He hath spoken;
Worlds His mighty voice obeyed;
Laws which never shall be broken
For their guidance hath He made.

3 Praise the Lord! for He is glorious;
Never shall His promise fail;
God hath made His saints victorious;
Sin and death shall not prevail.

c 4 Praise the God of our salvation!
Hosts on high, His power proclaim;
Heaven, and earth, and all creation,
Laud and magnify His name.
AMEN.

24

'Thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit.'

m MY God, how wonderful Thou art,
Thy majesty how bright!
How beautiful Thy mercy-seat,
In depths of burning light!

mp 2 How dread are Thine eternal years,
O everlasting Lord,
By prostrate spirits day and night
Incessantly adored!

p 3 O how I fear Thee, living God,
With deepest, tenderest fears,
And worship Thee with trembling hope
And penitential tears!

m 4 Yet I may love Thee too, O Lord,
Almighty as Thou art,
For Thou hast stooped to ask of me
The love of my poor heart.

5 No earthly father loves like Thee;
No mother, e'er so mild,
Bears and forbears as Thou hast done
With me, Thy sinful child.

mf 6 Father of Jesus, love's reward,
What rapture will it be
Prostrate before Thy throne to lie,
And ever gaze on Thee! AMEN.

25

'The second man is the Lord from heaven.'

mf PRAISE to the Holiest in the height,
And in the depth be praise,—
In all His words most wonderful,
Most sure in all His ways.

mp 2 O loving wisdom of our God!
When all was sin and shame,
m A second Adam to the fight
And to the rescue came.

3 O wisest love! that flesh and blood,
Which did in Adam fail,
c Should strive afresh against the foe,
Should strive and should prevail;

mp 4 And that a higher gift than grace
Should flesh and blood refine,
God's presence, and His very self
And essence all-Divine.

5 O generous love! that He who smote
In Man, for man, the foe
p The double agony in Man,
For man, should undergo,

6 And in the garden secretly,
And on the cross on high,
c Should teach His brethren, and inspire
d To suffer and to die.

7 Praise to the Holiest in the height,
And in the depth be praise,—
In all His words most wonderful,
Most sure in all His ways. AMEN.

26

'I will . . praise Thy name for Thy loving-kindness.'

mf PRAISE ye Jehovah, praise the Lord most holy,
Who cheers the contrite, girds with strength the weak;
Praise Him who will with glory crown the lowly,
And with salvation beautify the meek.

2 Praise ye the Lord for all His loving-kindness,
And all the tender mercy He hath shown;
Praise Him who pardons all our sin and blindness,
And calls us sons, and takes us for His own.

3 Praise ye Jehovah, Source of all our blessing;
Before His gifts earth's richest boons wax dim;
Resting in Him, His peace and joy possessing,
All things are ours, for we have all in Him.

4 Praise ye the Father, God the Lord, who gave us,
With full and perfect love, His only Son;
Praise ye the Son, who died Himself to save us;
Praise ye the Spirit: praise the Three in One. AMEN.

27

'Who is a God like unto Thee, that pardoneth iniquity?'

m GREAT God of wonders! all Thy ways
Are worthy of Thyself—Divine;
But the bright glories of Thy grace
Beyond Thine other wonders shine.
mf Who is a pardoning God like Thee,
Or who has grace so rich and free?

mp 2 Pardon—from an offended God!
Pardon—for sins of deepest dye!
Pardon—bestowed through Jesus' blood!
Pardon—that brings the rebel nigh!
mc Who is a pardoning God like Thee,
Or who has grace so rich and free?

m 3 O may this glorious, matchless love,
This God-like miracle of grace,
Teach mortal tongues, like those above,
To raise this song of lofty praise:
f 'Who is a pardoning God like Thee,
Or who has grace so rich and free?' AMEN.

Also Hymns 395, 423.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

HIS INCARNATION

28

'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.'

mf HARK! the herald angels sing,
'Glory to the new-born King,
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!'
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
Join the triumph of the skies,
With the angelic host proclaim,
'Christ is born in Bethlehem.'
Hark! the herald angels sing,
'Glory to the new-born King.'

mf 2 Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
m Late in time behold Him come,
Offspring of a virgin's womb.
mp Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
c Hail, the incarnate Deity,
Pleased as Man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Immanuel!

f 3 Hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings,
Risen with healing in His wings.
m Mild He lays His glory by,
c Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.
AMEN.

29

'Unto us a Child is born . . and His name shall be called . . The Prince of Peace.'

m IT came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
From angels bending near the earth
To touch their harps of gold:—
mp 'Peace on the earth, good will to men,
From heaven's all-gracious King!'
p The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.

m 2 Still through the cloven skies they come,
With peaceful wings unfurled;
And still their heavenly music floats
O'er all the weary world;
Above its sad and lowly plains
They bend on hovering wing,
And ever o'er its Babel sounds
The blessèd angels sing.

mp 3 But with the woes of sin and strife
The world has suffered long;
Beneath the angel strain have rolled
Two thousand years of wrong;
And man, at war with man, hears not
The love song which they bring;
p O hush the noise, ye men of strife,
And hear the angels sing.

mp 4 And ye, beneath life's crushing load,
Whose forms are bending low,
Who toil along the climbing way
With painful steps and slow,
m Look now! for glad and golden hours
Come swiftly on the wing;
d O rest beside the weary road,
And hear the angels sing.

f 5 For, lo! the days are hastening on,
By prophet bards foretold,
When with the ever-circling years
Comes round the age of gold,
When peace shall over all the earth
Its ancient splendours fling,
And the whole world give back the song
Which now the angels sing.
AMEN.

30

'Let us now go even unto Bethlehem.'

mf O COME, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold Him
Born the King of angels;
pc O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

m 2 God of God,
Light of Light,
Lo! He abhors not the Virgin's womb,
Very God,
Begotten, not created;
pc O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

mf 3 Sing, choirs of angels,
Sing in exultation,
c Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above,
'Glory to God
In the highest.'
pc O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

mf 4 Yea, Lord, we greet Thee,
Born this happy morning;
Jesus, to Thee be glory given,
Word of the Father,
Now in flesh appearing.
mc O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord. AMEN.

31

'Let us now go even unto Bethlehem.'

mf O COME, all ye faithful,
Joyfully triumphant,
To Bethlehem hasten now with glad accord;
Lo! in a manger
Lies the King of angels;
pc O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

m 2 Though true God of true God,
Light of Light eternal,
The womb of a virgin He hath not abhorred,
Son of the Father,
Not made, but begotten;
pc O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

f 3 Raise, raise, choirs of angels,
Songs of loudest triumph,
Through heaven's high arches be
your praises poured,
'Now to our God be
Glory in the highest.'
c O come, let us adore Him, Christ
the Lord.

f 4 Amen! Lord, we bless Thee,
Born for our salvation:
O Jesus, for ever be Thy name adored,
Word of the Father,
Now in flesh appearing.
c O come, let us adore Him, Christ
the Lord. AMEN.

32

'We beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father.'

m OF the Father's love begotten
Ere the worlds began to be,
He is Alpha and Omega,
He the source, the ending He,
Of the things that are, that have been,
And that future years shall see,
Evermore and evermore.

2 O that birth for ever blessèd,
When the Virgin, full of grace,
By the Holy Ghost conceiving,
Bare the Saviour of our race,
And the Babe, the world's Redeemer,
First revealed His sacred face,
Evermore and evermore!

3 This is He whom seers in old time
Chanted of with one accord,
Whom the voices of the prophets
Promised in their faithful word;
f Now He shines, the Long-expected;
Let creation praise its Lord,
Evermore and evermore.

4 O ye heights of heaven, adore Him;
Angel hosts, His praises sing;
All dominions, bow before Him,
And extol our God and King;
Let no tongue on earth be silent,
Every voice in concert ring,
Evermore and evermore.

f 5 Christ, to Thee, with God the Father,
And, O Holy Ghost, to Thee,
Hymn, and chant, and high thanksgiving,
And unwearied praises be,
Honour, glory, and dominion,
And eternal victory,
Evermore and evermore.
AMEN.

33

'Immanuel . . God with us.

mp O LITTLE town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by:
m Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting Light;
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee to-night.

2 For Christ is born of Mary;
And, gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love.
mf O morning stars, together
Proclaim the holy birth,
And praises sing to God the King,
And peace to men on earth.

m 3 How silently, how silently,
The wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of His heaven.
mp No ear may hear His coming;
But in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive Him, still
The dear Christ enters in.

m 4 O Holy Child of Bethlehem,
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in;
Be born in us to-day.
c We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell;
f O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Immanuel. AMEN.

34

'When eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, His name was called JESUS.'

mp 'JESUS!' name of wondrous love;
Name all other names above,
Unto which must every knee
Bow in deep humility.

mf 2 'Jesus!' name of priceless worth,
To the fallen sons of earth,
For the promise that it gave,—
'Jesus shall His people save.'

p 3 'Jesus!' name of mercy mild,
Given to the Holy Child
When the cup of human woe
First He tasted here below.

m 4 'Jesus!' only name that 's given
Under all the mighty heaven
Whereby man, to sin enslaved,
Bursts his fetters, and is saved.

5 'Jesus!' name of wondrous love;
Human name of God above;
mp Pleading only this, we flee,
Helpless, O our God, to Thee. AMEN.

35

'When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.'

m AS with gladness men of old
Did the guiding star behold,
As with joy they hailed its light,
Leading onward, beaming bright,—
c So, most gracious Lord, may we
Evermore be led to Thee.

m 2 As with joyful steps they sped,
Saviour, to Thy lowly bed,
mp There to bend the knee before
Thee, whom heaven and earth adore,—
c So may we with willing feet
Ever seek the mercy-seat.

m 3 As they offered gifts most rare
At Thy cradle rude and bare,—
mf So may we with holy joy,
Pure, and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to Thee, our heavenly King.

mp 4 Holy Jesus, every day
Keep us in the narrow way;
And, when earthly things are past,
c Bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide,
Where no clouds Thy glory hide.

f 5 In the heavenly country bright
Need they no created light;
Thou its light, its joy, its crown,
Thou its sun which goes not down;
There for ever may we sing
Hallelujahs to our King. AMEN.

36

'We have seen His star in the east, and are come to worship Him.'

mf BRIGHTEST and best of the sons of the morning,
mp Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid;
Star of the east, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

p 2 Cold on His cradle the dew-drops are shining;
Low lies His head with the beasts of the stall;
c Angels adore Him in slumber reclining,
Maker and Monarch and Saviour of all.

m 3 Say, shall we yield Him, in costly devotion,
Odours of Edom, and offerings divine,
Gems of the mountain and pearls of the ocean,
Myrrh from the forest or gold from the mine?

4 Vainly we offer each ample oblation,
Vainly with gifts would His favour secure;
Richer by far is the heart's adoration;
Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.

f 5 Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,
Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid;
Star of the east, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid. AMEN.

37

'There is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.'

mf TO the name of our Salvation
Laud and honour let us pay,
Which for many a generation
Hid in God's foreknowledge lay,
But with holy exultation
We may sing aloud to-day.

m 2 Jesus is the name we treasure,
Name beyond what words can tell,
mf Name of gladness, name of pleasure,
Ear and heart delighting well;
mp Name of sweetness, passing measure,
Saving us from sin and hell.

mf 3 'T is the name for adoration,
Name for songs of victory,
mp Name for holy meditation
In this vale of misery,
c Name for joyful veneration
By the citizens on high.

m 4 'T is the name that whoso preacheth
Speaks like music to the ear;
Who in prayer this name beseecheth
Sweetest comfort findeth near;
Who its perfect wisdom reacheth
Heavenly joy possesseth here.

mf 5 Jesus is the name exalted
Over every other name;
In this name, whene'er assaulted,
We can put our foes to shame;
Strength to them who else had halted,
Eyes to blind, and feet to lame.

m 6 Therefore we, in love adoring,
This most blessèd name revere,
Holy Jesus, Thee imploring
So to write it in us here
f That hereafter, heavenward soaring,
We may sing with angels there.
AMEN.

Also Hymns 442, 527-533.

HIS LIFE AND EXAMPLE

38

'He went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them.'

m YE fair green hills of Galilee,
That girdle quiet Nazareth,
What glorious vision did ye see,
When He who conquered sin and death
Your flowery slopes and summits trod,
And grew in grace with man and God?

mp 2 'We saw no glory crown His head,
As childhood ripened into youth;
No angels on His errands sped;
He wrought no sign; but meekness, truth,
c And duty marked each step He trod,
And love to man and love to God.'

m 3 Jesus! my Saviour, Master, King,
Who didst for me the burden bear,
While saints in heaven Thy glory sing,
Let me on earth Thy likeness wear;
mf Mine be the path Thy feet have trod,—
Duty, and love to man and God.
AMEN.

39

'He was there in the wilderness forty days, tempted of Satan; and was with the wild beasts; and the angels ministered unto Him.'

mp FORTY days and forty nights
Thou wast fasting in the wild,
Forty days and forty nights
Tempted, and yet undefiled,—

2 Sunbeams scorching all the day,
Chilly dewdrops nightly shed,
Prowling beasts about Thy way,
Stones Thy pillow, earth Thy bed.

3 Shall not we Thy sorrow share,
And from earthly joys abstain,
Fasting with unceasing prayer,
Glad with Thee to suffer pain?

4 And if Satan, vexing sore,
Flesh or spirit should assail,
Thou, his Vanquisher before,
Grant we may not faint nor fail.

m 5 So shall we have peace divine;
Holier gladness ours shall be;
Round us too shall angels shine,
Such as ministered to Thee.
AMEN.

40

'They forsook all, and followed Him.'

mp JESUS calls us: o'er the tumult
Of our life's wild restless sea,
Day by day His sweet voice soundeth,
Saying, 'Christian, follow Me,'—

m 2 As, of old, apostles heard it
By the Galilæan lake,
Turned from home and toil and kindred,
Leaving all for His dear sake.

3 Jesus calls us from the worship
Of the vain world's golden store,
From each idol that would keep us,
mp Saying, 'Christian, love Me more.'

m 4 In our joys and in our sorrows,
Days of toil and hours of ease,
Still He calls, in cares and pleasures,
mf That we love Him more than these.

mp 5 Jesus calls us: by Thy mercies,
c Saviour, make us hear Thy call.
Give our hearts to Thine obedience,
Serve and love Thee best of all.
AMEN.

41

'If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.'

mp 'TAKE up thy cross,' the Saviour said,
'If thou wouldst My disciple be:
Deny thyself, the world forsake,
And humbly follow after Me.'

2 Take up thy cross; let not its weight
Fill thy weak spirit with alarm;
c His strength shall bear thy spirit up,
And brace thy heart, and nerve thine arm.

mp 3 Take up thy cross, nor heed the shame,
Nor let thy foolish pride rebel;
Thy Lord for thee the cross endured,
To save thy soul from death and hell.

m 4 Take up thy cross, then, in His strength,
And calmly every danger brave;
c 'Twill guide thee to a better home,
And lead to victory o'er the grave.

mp 5 Take up thy cross, and follow Christ,
Nor think till death to lay it down;
m For only he who bears the cross
May hope to wear the glorious crown. AMEN.

42

'Whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst.'

m SWEET was the hour, O Lord, to Thee,
At Sychar's lonely well,
When a poor outcast heard Thee there
Thy great salvation tell.

2 There Jacob's erring daughter found
Those streams unknown before,
The water-brooks of life that make
The weary thirst no more.

3 And, Lord, to us, though vile as she,
Thy gracious lips have told
That mystery of love, revealed
At Jacob's well of old.

4 In spirit, Lord, we've sat with Thee
Beside the springing well
Of life and peace, and heard Thee there
Its healing virtues tell.

5 Dead to the world, we dream no more
Of earthly pleasures now,—
c Our deep, Divine, unfailing spring
Of grace and glory Thou!

mf 6 No hope of rest in aught beside,
No beauty, Lord, we see,
And, like Samaria's daughter, seek
And find our all in Thee. AMEN.

43

'He laid His hands on every one of them, and healed them.'

mf THINE arm, O Lord, in days of old,
Was strong to heal and save;
It triumphed o'er disease and death,
O'er darkness and the grave.

m To Thee they went—the blind, the dumb,
The palsied, and the lame,
The leper with his tainted life,
The sick with fevered frame;

mf 2 And, lo! Thy touch brought life and health,
Gave speech, and strength, and sight;
And youth renewed and frenzy calmed
Owned Thee, the Lord of light.
mp And now, O Lord, be near to bless,
Almighty as of yore,
In crowded street, by restless couch,
As by Gennesaret's shore.

mf 3 Be Thou our great Deliverer still,
Thou Lord of life and death;
Restore and quicken, soothe and bless,
With Thine almighty breath;
To hands that work and eyes that see
Give wisdom's heavenly lore,
c That whole and sick, and weak and strong,
May praise Thee evermore. AMEN.

44

'He rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.'

m FIERCE raged the tempest o'er the deep,
Wateh did Thine anxious servants keep,
mp But Thou wast wrapt in guileless sleep,
Calm and still.

mf 2 'Save, Lord, we perish,' was their cry,
'O save us in our agony!'
mp Thy word above the storm rose high,
'Peace, be still.'

m 3 The wild winds hushed, the angry deep
d Sank like a little child to sleep,
The sullen billows ceased to leap,
c At Thy will.

m 4 So, when our life is clouded o'er,
And storm-winds drift us from the shore,
Say, lest we sink to rise no more,
p 'Peace, be still.' AMEN.

45

'They see Jesus walking on the sea . . and they were afraid. But He saith unto them, It is I; be not afraid.'

mp WHEN the dark waves round us roll,
And we look in vain for aid,
Speak, Lord, to the trembling soul,
p 'It is I; be not afraid.'

mp 2 When we dimly trace Thy form
In mysterious clouds arrayed,
Be the echo of the storm,
p 'It is I; be not afraid.'

mp 3 When our brightest hopes depart,
When our fairest visions fade,
Whisper to the fainting heart,
p 'It is I; be not afraid.'

p 4 When we weep beside the bier
Where some well-loved form is laid,
O may then the mourner hear,
pp 'It is I; be not afraid.'

p 5 When with wearing, hopeless pain
Sinks the spirit, sore dismayed,
Breathe Thou then the comfort strain,
pp 'It is I; be not afraid.'

p 6 When we feel the end is near,
Passing into death's dark shade,
c May the voice be strong and clear,
f 'It is I; be not afraid.' AMEN.

46

'Jesus was transfigured before them.'

m O WONDROUS type! O vision fair
Of glory that the Church shall share,
Which Christ upon the mountain shows
Where brighter than the sun He glows!

mf 2 With shining face and bright array,
Christ deigns to manifest to-day
What glory shall be theirs above
Who joy in God with perfect love.

3 And faithful hearts are raised on high
By this great vision's mystery,
For which in joyful strains we raise
The voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

m 4 O Father, with the eternal Son
And Holy Spirit ever one,
c Vouchsafe to bring us by Thy grace
To see Thy glory face to face. AMEN.

47

'In Thy majesty ride prosperously.'

mf RIDE on! ride on in majesty!
Hark! all the tribes 'Hosanna!' cry;
m O Saviour meek, pursue Thy road
With palms and scattered garments strowed.

mf 2 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
mp In lowly pomp ride on to die;
c O Christ, Thy triumphs now begin
O'er captive death and conquered sin.

mf 3 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
m The wingèd squadrons of the sky
p Look down with sad and wondering eyes
To see the approaching sacrifice.

mf 4 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
p Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;
m The Father on His sapphire throne
Expects His own anointed Son.

mf 5 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
mp In lowly pomp ride on to die;
Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain.
mf Then take, O God, Thy power, and reign. AMEN.

48

'Hosanna in the highest.'

mf HOSANNA to the living Lord!
Hosanna to the incarnate Word!
To Christ—Creator, Saviour, King—
Let earth, let heaven 'Hosanna!' sing,
f 'Hosanna, Lord! Hosanna in the highest!'

mf 2 'Hosanna!' Lord, Thine angels cry;
'Hosanna!' Lord, Thy saints reply;
c Above, beneath us, and around,
The dead and living swell the sound,
'Hosanna, Lord! Hosanna in the highest!'

m 3 O Saviour, with protecting care
Return to this Thy house of prayer,
Assembled in Thy sacred name,
Where we Thy parting promise claim.
mf Hosanna, Lord! Hosanna in the highest!

m 4 But, chiefest, in our cleansèd breast,
Eternal, bid Thy Spirit rest,
And make our secret soul to be
A temple pure, and worthy Thee.
mf Hosanna, Lord! Hosanna in the highest!

p 5 So, in the last and dreadful day,
When earth and heaven shall melt away,
c Thy flock, redeemed from sinful stain,
Shall swell the sound of praise again,
ff 'Hosanna, Lord! Hosanna in the highest!' AMEN.

49

'Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord; peace in heaven, and glory in the highest.'

f ALL *glory, laud, and honour*
To Thee, Redeemer King,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring!
nf Thou art the King of Israel,
Thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest,
The King and Blessèd One.

f 2 *All glory, etc.*
mf The company of angels
Are praising Thee on high,
And mortal men and all things
Created make reply.

f 3 *All glory, etc.*
mf The people of the Hebrews
With palms before Thee went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems
Before Thee we present.

f 4 *All glory, etc.*
m To Thee before Thy passion
They sang their hymns of praise;
mf To Thee now high exalted
Our melody we raise.

f 5 *All glory, etc.*
m Thou didst accept their praises;
Accept the prayers we bring,
Who in all good delightest,
c Thou good and gracious King.
AMEN.

50

'In whom, though now ye see Him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable.'

m WE may not climb the heavenly steeps
To bring the Lord Christ down;
In vain we search the lowest deeps,
For Him no depths can drown.

2 And not for signs in heaven above,
Or earth below, they look
Who know with John His smile of love,
With Peter His rebuke.

3 In joy of inward peace, or sense
Of sorrow over sin,
He is His own best evidence;
His witness is within.

mp 4 And, warm, sweet, tender, even yet
A present help is He;
c And faith has still its Olivet,
And love its Galilee.

mp 5 The healing of His seamless dress
Is by our beds of pain;
m We touch Him in life's throng and press,
And we are whole again.

m 6 Through Him the first fond prayers are said
Our lips of childhood frame;
p The last low whispers of our dead
Are burdened with His name.
AMEN.

51

'Followers of the Lord.'

m O LORD and Master of us all,
Whate'er our name or sign,
We own Thy sway, we hear Thy call,
We test our lives by Thine.

mp 2 Thou judgest us: Thy purity
Doth all our lusts condemn:
The love that draws us nearer Thee
Is hot with wrath to them.

3 Our thoughts lie open to Thy sight;
And naked to Thy glance
Our secret sins are, in the light
Of Thy pure countenance.

m 4 Yet, weak and blinded though we be,
Thou dost our service own;
We bring our varying gifts to Thee,
And Thou rejectest none.

5 Apart from Thee all gain is loss,
All labour vainly done;
The solemn shadow of Thy cross
Is better than the sun.

6 Our Friend, our Brother, and our Lord,
What may Thy service be?
Nor name, nor form, nor ritual word,
But simply following Thee.

mp 7 We faintly hear; we dimly see;
In differing phrase we pray;
mf But, dim or clear, we own in Thee
The Light, the Truth, the Way.
AMEN.

52

'Who, when He was reviled, reviled not again; when He suffered, He threatened not.'

m WHAT grace, O Lord, and beauty shone
Around Thy steps below!
What patient love was seen in all
Thy life and death of woe!

mp 2 For ever on Thy burdened heart
A weight of sorrow hung,
Yet no ungentle, murmuring word
Escaped Thy silent tongue.

3 Thy foes might hate, despise, revile,
Thy friends unfaithful prove:
Unwearied in forgiveness still,
Thy heart could only love.

m 4 O give us hearts to love like Thee,
Like Thee, O Lord, to grieve
Far more for others' sins than all
The wrongs that we receive.

5 One with Thyself, may every eye
In us, Thy brethren, see
That gentleness and grace that spring
From union, Lord, with Thee.

AMEN.

53

'Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus.'

m LORD, as to Thy dear cross we flee,
And plead to be forgiven,
So let Thy life our pattern be,
And form our souls for heaven.

2 Help us, through good report and ill,
Our daily cross to bear,
Like Thee, to do our Father's will,
Our brethren's griefs to share.

3 Let grace our selfishness expel,
Our earthliness refine,
And kindness in our bosoms dwell,
As free and true as Thine.

mp 4 If joy shall at Thy bidding fly,
And grief's dark day come on,
We, in our turn, would meekly cry,
p 'Father, Thy will be done.'

mp 5 Should friends misjudge, or foes defame,
Or brethren faithless prove,
c Then, like Thine own, be all our aim
To conquer them by love.

m 6 Kept peaceful in the midst of strife,
Forgiving and forgiven,
c O may we lead the pilgrim's life,
And follow Thee to heaven. AMEN.

54

'Whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after Me, cannot be My disciple.'

m HOW shall I follow Him I serve?
How shall I copy Him I love,
Nor from those blessèd footsteps swerve
Which lead me to His seat above?

mp 2 Privations, sorrows, bitter scorn,
The life of toil, the mean abode,
The faithless kiss, the crown of thorn,—
Are these the consecrated road?

3 'Twas thus He suffered, though a Son,
Foreknowing, choosing, feeling all,
Until the perfect work was done,
d And drunk the bitter cup of gall.

mp 4 Lord, should my path through suffering lie,
Forbid it I should e'er repine;
Still let me turn to Calvary,
Nor heed my griefs, remembering Thine.

5 To faint, to grieve, to die for me
Thou camest, not Thyself to please;
m And, dear as earthly comforts be,
Shall I not love Thee more than these?

6 Yes! I would count them all but loss,
That I may follow after Thee;
Flesh shrinks and trembles at the cross,
mf But Thou canst give the victory.

AMEN.

55

'Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow His steps.'

p GO to dark Gethsemane,
Ye that feel the tempter's power;
Your Redeemer's conflict see;
Watch with Him one bitter hour;
Turn not from His griefs away:
Learn of Jesus Christ to pray.

2 Follow to the judgment hall;
View the Lord of Life arraigned.
pp O the wormwood and the gall!
O the pangs His soul sustained!
c Shun not suffering, shame, or loss:
Learn of Him to bear the cross.

mp 3 Calvary's mournful mountain climb;
There, adoring at His feet,
Mark that miracle of time,
God's own sacrifice complete.
p 'It is finished!'—(*m*) hear the cry:
Learn of Jesus Christ to die.

mp 4 Early hasten to the tomb
Where they laid His breathless clay;
All is solitude and gloom;
Who hath taken Him away?
mf Christ is risen! He meets our eyes:
Saviour, teach us so to rise. AMEN.

56

'Christ hath loved us, and hath given Himself for us.'

mf O LOVE how deep, how broad, how high!
It fills the heart with ecstasy,
That God, the Son of God, should take
Our mortal form, for mortals' sake.

m 2 He sent no angel to our race,
Of higher or of lower place,
But He Himself to this world came,
And wore the robe of human frame.

3 Nor willed He only to appear;
His pleasure was to tarry here,
And God and Man with man would be
The space of thirty years and three.

mp 4 For us baptized, for us He bore
His holy fast, and hungered sore;
For us temptations sharp He knew,
c For us the tempter overthrew.

m 5 For us He prayed, for us He taught,
For us His daily works He wrought—
By words and signs and actions thus
Still seeking, not Himself, but us.

p 6 For us to wicked men betrayed,
Scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed,
He bore the shameful cross and death,
For us at length gave up His breath.

f 7 For us He rose from death again;
For us He went on high to reign;
For us He sent His Spirit here
To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

ff 8 To Him whose boundless love has won
Salvation for us through His Son,
To God the Father, glory be
Both now and through eternity.
AMEN.

Also Hymns 535, 542.

HIS SUFFERINGS AND DEATH

57

'Who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree.'

p O DARK and dreary day,
When Jesus died to pay
Sin's awful penalty!
The sun kept back its light,
To hide that mournful sight,
When Jesus died for me.

pp 2 Ah! who can tell His pangs
As on the cross He hangs,
My dearest Lord, for me?
mp For me He dies that death,
For me He yields His breath,
My sinful soul to free.

3 And, as He bows His head,
Have I no tears to shed,
When I look back and see
c His loving arms spread wide
To draw me to His side,
My ransom thus to be?

m 4 O Jesus, may Thy love
My strength and succour prove,
That I to Thee may live;
Thou gavest all for me,
May I devote to Thee
What little I can give. AMEN.

58

'They crucified Him.'

p O COME and mourn with me awhile;
O come ye to the Saviour's side;
O come, together let us mourn:
pp Jesus, our Lord, is crucified!

p 2 Have we no tears to shed for Him,
While soldiers scoff and Jews deride?
Ah! look how patiently He hangs:
pp Jesus, our Lord, is crucified!

mp 3 Seven times He spoke, seven words of love;
And all three hours His silence cried
For mercy on the souls of men:
pp Jesus, our Lord, is crucified!

mp 4 O break, O break, hard heart of mine!
Thy weak self-love and guilty pride
His Pilate and His Judas were:
pp Jesus, our Lord, is crucified!

mp 5 A broken heart, a fount of tears,
Ask, and they will not be denied;
A broken heart love's cradle is:
p Jesus, our Lord, is crucified!

m 6 O love of God! O sin of man!
c In this dread act your strength is tried,
And victory remains with love:
Jesus, our Lord, is crucified!
AMEN.

59

'Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do.'

p 'FORGIVE them, O My Father;
They know not what they do!'
The Saviour spake in anguish,
pp As the sharp nails went through.

mp 2 No pained reproaches gave He
To them that shed His blood,
But prayer and tenderest pity,
Large as the love of God.

m 3 For me was that compassion,
For me that tender care;
I need His wide forgiveness
As much as any there.

mp 4 It was my pride and hardness
That hung Him on the tree;
pp Those cruel nails, O Saviour,
Were driven in by me.

p 5 And often I have slighted
Thy gentle voice that chid;
Forgive me too, Lord Jesus;
I knew not what I did.

m 6 O depth of sweet compassion!
O love Divine and true!
Save Thou the souls that slight Thee,
And know not what they do.
AMEN.

60

'Verily I say unto thee, To day shalt thou be with Me in paradise.'

mp 'LORD, when Thy kingdom comes, remember me!'
Thus spake the dying lips to dying ears.

mf O faith, which in that darkest hour could see
The promised glory of the far-off years!

mp 2 No kingly sign declares that glory now;
No ray of hope lights up that awful hour;
p A thorny crown surrounds the bleeding brow;
The hands are stretched in weakness, not in power.

m 3 Yet hear the word the dying Saviour saith,
'Thou too shalt rest in Paradise to-day';
mf O words of love to answer words of faith!
O words of hope for those who live to pray!

p 4 Lord, when with dying lips my prayer is said,
Grant that in faith Thy kingdom I may see,
And, thinking on Thy cross and bleeding head,
May breathe my parting words, 'Remember me.'

mp 5 Remember me, but not my shame or sin;
Thy cleansing blood hath washed them all away;
Thy precious death for me did pardon win;
Thy blood redeemed me in that awful day.

6 Remember me; yet how canst Thou forget
What pain and anguish I have caused to Thee,
The cross, the agony, the bloody sweat,
And all the sorrow Thou didst bear for me?

m 7 Remember me; and, ere I pass away,
Speak Thou the assuring word that sets us free,
c And make Thy promise to my heart, 'To-day
Thou too shalt rest in Paradise with Me.' AMEN.

61

'Now there stood by the cross of Jesus His mother . . He saith unto His mother, Woman, behold thy son! Then saith He to the disciple, Behold thy mother!'

mp NEAR the cross was Mary weeping,
There her mournful station keeping,
Gazing on her dying Son,
p There with speechless grief oppressèd.
Anguish-stricken, and distressèd;
Through her soul the sword had gone.

mp 2 Who upon that sufferer gazing,
Bowed in sorrow so amazing,
Would not with His mother mourn?
p 'T was our sins brought Him from heaven;
These the cruel nails had driven;
All His griefs for us were borne

mp 3 When no eye its pity gave us,
When there was no arm to save us,
He His love and power displayed;
By His stripes He wrought our healing;
By His death, our life revealing,
He for us the ransom paid.

4 Jesus, may Thy love constrain us
That from sin we may refrain us,
In Thy griefs may deeply grieve.
c Thee our best affections giving,
To Thy glory ever living,
May we in Thy glory live. AMEN.

62

'Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?'

p THRONED upon the awful tree,
King of grief, I watch with Thee;
pp Darkness veils Thine anguished face;
None its lines of woe can trace;
None can tell what pangs unknown
Hold Thee silent and alone,—

2 Silent through those three dread hours,
Wrestling with the evil powers,
Left alone with human sin,
Gloom around Thee and within,
Till the appointed time is nigh,
Till the Lamb of God may die.

p 3 Hark that cry that peals aloud
Upward through the whelming cloud!
Thou, the Father's only Son,
Thou, His own anointed One,
Thou dost ask Him—can it be?—
pp 'Why hast Thou forsaken Me?'

mp 4 Lord, should fear and anguish roll
Darkly o'er my sinful soul,
Thou, who once wast thus bereft
c That Thine own might ne'er be left,
Teach me by that bitter cry
In the gloom to know Thee nigh.
AMEN.

63

'Jesus saith, I thirst.'

m HIS are the thousand sparkling rills
That from a thousand fountains burst,
And fill with music all the hills;
p And yet He saith, 'I thirst.'

mp 2 All fiery pangs on battle-fields,
On fever beds where sick men toss,
d Are in that human cry He yields
To anguish on the cross.

m 3 But more than pains that racked Him then
Was the deep longing thirst Divine
That thirsted for the souls of men;
p Dear Lord! and one was mine.

m 4 O Love most patient, give me grace;
Make all my soul athirst for Thee;
That parched dry lip, that fading face,
That thirst, were all for me.
AMEN.

64

'He said, It is finished.'

m O PERFECT life of love!
All, all is finished now,—
All that He left His throne above
To do for us below.

2 No work is left undone
Of all the Father willed;
His toil, His sorrows, one by one,
The Scripture have fulfilled.

3 No pain that we can share
But He has felt its smart;
All forms of human grief and care
Have pierced that tender heart.

p 4 And on His thorn-crowned head,
And on His sinless soul,
Our sins in all their guilt were laid
That He might make us whole.

mp 5 In perfect love He dies;
For me He dies, for me.
c O all-atoning Sacrifice,
I cling by faith to Thee.

m 6 In every time of need,
Before the judgment throne,
c Thy work, O Lamb of God, I 'll plead,
Thy merits, not my own.

m 7 Yet work, O Lord, in me,
As Thou for me hast wrought;
And let my love the answer be
To grace Thy love has brought.
AMEN.

65

'Father, into Thy hands I commend My spirit.'

p AND now, beloved Lord, Thy soul resigning
Into Thy Father's arms with conscious will,
Calmly, with reverend grace, Thy head inclining,
d The throbbing brow and labouring breast grow still.

mp 2 Freely Thy life Thou yieldest, meekly bending
Even to the last beneath our sorrows' load,
Yet strong in death, in perfect peace commending
Thy spirit to Thy Father and Thy God.

p 3 My Saviour, in mine hour of mortal anguish,
When earth grows dim, and round me falls the night,
O breathe Thy peace, as flesh and spirit languish;
c At that dread eventide let there be light.

mp 4 To Thy dear cross turn Thou mine eyes in dying;
Lay but my fainting head upon Thy breast;
Thine outstretched arms receive my latest sighing;
And then, O then, Thine everlasting rest! AMEN.

66

'Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do.'

p JESUS, in Thy dying woes,
Even while Thy life-blood flows,
Craving pardon for Thy foes—
Hear us, Holy Jesus—

2 Saviour, for our pardon sue,
When our sins Thy pangs renew,
For we know not what we do:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

3 O may we, who mercy need,
Be like Thee in heart and deed,
When with wrong our spirits bleed:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

'Verily I say unto thee, To day shalt thou be with Me in paradise.'

mp 4 Jesus, pitying the sighs
Of the thief who near Thee dies,
Promising him Paradise—
Hear us, Holy Jesus—

5 May we in our guilt and shame
Still Thy love and mercy claim,
Calling humbly on Thy name:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

6 O remember us who pine,
Looking from our cross to Thine;
Cheer our souls with hope divine:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

'Woman, behold thy son .. Behold thy mother!'

7 Jesus, loving to the end
Her whose heart Thy sorrows rend,
And Thy dearest human friend—
Hear us, Holy Jesus—

8 May we in Thy sorrows share,
And for Thee all peril dare,
And enjoy Thy tender care:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

9 May we all Thy loved ones be,
All one holy family,
Loving for the love of Thee:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

'My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?'

p 10 Jesus, whelmed in fears unknown,
With our evil left alone,
While no light from heaven is shown—
Hear us, Holy Jesus—

11 When we vainly seem to pray,
And our hope seems far away,
In the darkness be our stay:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

12 Though no Father seem to hear,
Though no light our spirits cheer,
c Tell our faith that God is near:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

'I thirst.'

p 13 Jesus, in Thy thirst and pain,
While Thy wounds Thy life-blood drain,
Thirsting more our love to gain—
Hear us, Holy Jesus—

mp 14 Thirst for us in mercy still;
All Thy holy work fulfil;
Satisfy Thy loving will:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

15 May we thirst Thy love to know;
Lead us in our sin and woe
Where the healing waters flow:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

'It is finished.'

mp 16 Jesus, all our ransom paid,
All Thy Father's will obeyed,
By Thy sufferings perfect made—
Hear us, Holy Jesus—

p 17 Save us in our soul's distress,
mp Be our help to cheer and bless,
While we grow in holiness:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

18 Brighten all our heavenward way
c With an ever holier ray,
Till we pass to perfect day:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

'Father, into Thy hands I commend My spirit.'

mp 19 Jesus, all Thy labour vast,
All Thy woe and conflict past,
d Yielding up Thy soul at last—
Hear us, Holy Jesus—

p 20 When the death shades round us lower,
Guard us from the tempter's power;
Keep us in that trial hour:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

mp 21 May Thy life and death supply
Grace to live and grace to die,
c Grace to reach the home on high:
Hear us, Holy Jesus. AMEN.

67

'Who died for us, that . . we should live together with Him.'

mp O SAVIOUR, where shall guilty man
Find rest except in Thee?
Thine was the warfare with his foe,
d The cross of pain, the cup of woe,
c And Thine the victory.

mp 2 How came the everlasting Son,
The Lord of Life, to die?
Why didst Thou meet the tempter's power,
Why, Jesus, in Thy dying hour
Endure such agony?

m 3 To save us by Thy precious blood,
To make us one in Thee,
That ours might be Thy perfect life,
Thy thorny crown, Thy cross, Thy strife,
f And ours the victory.

m 4 O make us worthy, gracious Lord,
Of all Thy love to be;
To Thy blest will our wills incline,
c That unto death we may be Thine,
And ever live in Thee. AMEN.

68

'He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities.'

p O SACRED Head now wounded,
With grief and shame weighed down,
Now scornfully surrounded
With thorns, Thy only crown!
How pale art Thou with anguish,
With sore abuse and scorn!
How does that visage languish
Which once was bright as morn!

m 2 O Lord of life and glory,
What bliss till now was Thine!
I read the wondrous story;
I joy to call Thee mine
mp Thy grief and bitter passion
Were all for sinners' gain;
p Mine, mine was the transgression,
But Thine the deadly pain.

mf 3 What language shall I borrow
To praise Thee, heavenly Friend,
For this Thy dying sorrow,
Thy pity without end?
m O make me Thine for ever,
And, should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never
Outlive my love to Thee.

mp 4 Be near me, Lord, when dying;
Show Thou Thyself to me;
And, for my succour flying,
Come, Lord, to set me free;
mf These eyes, new faith receiving,
From Jesus shall not move;
For he who dies believing
Dies safely through Thy love.
AMEN.

69

'The chastisement of our peace was upon Him.'

p O CHRIST, what burdens bowed Thy head!
Our load was laid on Thee;
Thou stoodest in the sinner's stead,
Bearing all ill for me:
A victim led,
Thy blood was shed;
mf Now there's no load for me.

p 2 Death and the curse were in our cup;
pp O Christ, 't was full for Thee!
c But Thou hast drained the last dark drop;
'T is empty now for me:
That bitter cup,
Love drank it up;
mf Now blessing's draught for me!

p 3 The Holy One did hide His face;
O Christ, 't was hid from Thee!
Dumb darkness wrapt Thy soul a space,
The darkness due to me:
mf But now that face
Of radiant grace
Shines forth in light on me.

mp 4 For me, Lord Jesus, Thou hast died,
And I have died in Thee;
mf Thou 'rt risen; my bands are all untied,
And now Thou liv'st in me.
When purified,
Made white, and tried,
Thy glory then for me! AMEN.

70

'God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.'

mf WE sing the praise of Him who died,
Of Him who died upon the cross;
The sinner's hope let men deride,
For this we count the world but loss.

m 2 Inscribed upon the cross we see,
In shining letters, 'God is love';
He bears our sins upon the tree;
He brings us mercy from above.

3 The cross! it takes our guilt away;
It holds the fainting spirit up;
It cheers with hope the gloomy day,
And sweetens every bitter cup;

mf 4 It makes the coward spirit brave,
And nerves the feeble arm for fight:
It takes its terror from the grave,
And gilds the bed of death with light;

5 The balm of life, the cure of woe,
The measure and the pledge of love,
f The sinner's refuge here below,
The angel's theme in heaven above.
AMEN.

71

'What things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ.'

mp WHEN I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

m 2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ, my God;
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.

p 3 See! from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
mp Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

mf 4 Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an offering far too small;
c Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.
AMEN.

72

'Come, see the place where the Lord lay.'

p BY Jesus' grave on either hand,
While night is brooding o'er the land,
The sad and silent mourners stand.

pp 2 At last the weary life is o'er,
The agony and conflict sore
Of Him who all our suffering bore.

3 Deep in the rock's sepulchral shade
The Lord, by whom the worlds were made,
The Saviour of mankind, is laid.

mp 4 O hearts bereaved and sore distressed,
Here is for you a place of rest;
Here leave your griefs on Jesus' breast.

mf 5 So, when the dayspring from on high
Shall chase the night and fill the sky,

f Then shall the Lord again draw nigh. AMEN.

Also Hymns
171, 173, 174, 188, 191, 195, 197.

HIS RESURRECTION

73

'He rose again the third day.'

mf ON wings of living light,
At earliest dawn of day,
Came down the angel bright,
And rolled the stone away.

f *Your voices raise*
With one accord
To bless and praise
Your risen Lord.

mp 2 The keepers watching near,
At that dread sight and sound,
Fell down with sudden fear,
Like dead men, to the ground.

mf 3 Then rose from death's dark gloom,
Unseen by mortal eye,

f Triumphant o'er the tomb,
The Lord of earth and sky.

mf 4 Ye children of the light,
Arise with Him, arise;
See how the Daystar bright
Is burning in the skies!

m 5 Leave in the grave beneath
The old things passed away;
Buried with Him in death,
O live with Him to-day.

f 6 We sing Thee, Lord Divine,
With all our hearts and powers;
For we are ever Thine,
And Thou art ever ours. AMEN.

74

'Upon the first day of the week, very early in the morning, they came unto the sepulchre . . and they found the stone rolled away.'

f BLEST morning, whose first dawning rays
Beheld the Son of God
Arise triumphant from the grave,
And leave His dark abode!

mp 2 Wrapt in the silence of the tomb
The great Redeemer lay,
Till the revolving skies had brought
The third, the appointed day.

m 3 Hell and the grave combined their force
To hold our Lord in vain;

f Sudden the Conqueror arose,
And burst their feeble chain.

4 To Thy great name, Almighty Lord,
We sacred honours pay,
And loud hosannas shall proclaim
The triumphs of the day.

ff 5 Salvation and immortal praise
To our victorious King!
Let heaven and earth, and rocks and seas,
With glad hosannas ring.

f 6 To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, and is,
And shall be evermore. AMEN.

75

'I am He that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore.'

f CHRIST the Lord is risen again;
Christ has broken every chain;
Hark! the angels shout for joy,
Singing evermore on high,
'Hallelujah!'

2 He who gave for us His life,
Who for us endured the strife,
Is our Paschal Lamb to-day;
We too sing for joy, and say,
'Hallelujah!'

mp 3 He who bore all pain and loss
Comfortless, upon the cross,

mf Lives in glory now on high,
Pleads for us and hears our cry—
'Hallelujah!'

mp 4 He who slumbered in the grave
mf Is exalted now to save;
c Now through Christendom it rings
That the Lamb is King of kings.
Hallelujah!

m 5 Now He bids us tell abroad
How the lost may be restored,
How the penitent forgiven,
How we too may enter heaven.
Hallelujah!

6 Thou, our Paschal Lamb indeed,
Christ, to-day Thy people feed;
Take our sins and guilt away,
mf That we all may sing for aye,
'Hallelujah!' AMEN.

76

'He is risen, as He said.'

f 'CHRIST the Lord is risen to-day,'
Sons of men and angels say;
Raise your joys and triumphs high;
Sing, ye heavens, and, earth, reply.
mf Love's redeeming work is done,
Fought the fight, the battle won;
Lo! our Sun's eclipse is o'er;
Lo! He sets in blood no more.

2 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal;
Christ has burst the gates of hell;
Death in vain forbids His rise;
Christ has opened Paradise.
Lives again our glorious King;
Where, O death, is now thy sting?
Once He died, our souls to save;
f Where thy victory, O grave?

mf 3 Soar we now where Christ has led,
Following our exalted Head;
Made like Him, like Him we rise;
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.
Hail, the Lord of earth and heaven!
Praise to Thee by both be given;
Thee we greet triumphant now;
Hail, the Resurrection Thou! AMEN.

77

'Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord.'

f JESUS CHRIST is risen to-day,
Hallelujah!
Our triumphant holy day,
Hallelujah!
m Who did once, upon the cross,
Hallelujah!
Suffer to redeem our loss,
Hallelujah!

mf 2 Hymns of praise, then, let us sing
Unto Christ, our heavenly King,
m Who endured the cross and grave,
Sinners to redeem and save.

3 But the anguish He endured
Our salvation hath procured;
f Now above the sky He's King,
Where the angels ever sing.

4 Sing we to our God above
Praise eternal as His love;
Praise Him, all ye heavenly host,
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
AMEN.

78

'O death, where is thy sting?
O grave, where is thy victory?'

ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!

f THE strife is o'er, the battle done;
The victory of life is won;
The song of triumph has begun,—
'Alleluia!'

mp 2 The powers of death have done their worst,
mf But Christ their legions hath dispersed;
Let shouts of holy joy outburst,—
'Alleluia!'

3 The three sad days have quickly sped;
c He rises glorious from the dead;
All glory to our risen Head!
Alleluia!

f 4 He brake the fast-bound chains of hell;
The bars from heaven's high portals fell;
Let hymns of praise His triumph tell.
Alleluia!

mp 5 Lord, by the stripes which wounded Thee,
From death's dread sting Thy servants free,
f That we may live, and sing to Thee,
'Alleluia!' AMEN.

79

'Then came Jesus and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you.'

ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!

f O SONS and daughters, let us sing!
The King of heaven, the glorious King,
O'er death to-day rose triumphing.
Alleluia!

m 2 On that first morn, at break of day,
The faithful women went their way
To seek the tomb where Jesus lay.

3 An angel clad in white they see,
Who sat, and spake unto the three,
'Your Lord doth go to Galilee.'

mp 4 That night the apostles met in fear;
Amidst them came their Lord most dear,
And said, 'My peace be on all here.'

m 5 When Thomas first the tidings heard,
He doubted if it were their Lord,
Until He came and spake the word:

mp 6 'My pierced side, O Thomas, see;
My hands, My feet, I show to thee;
Not faithless, but believing be.'

m 7 No longer Thomas then denied;
He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
mf 'Thou art my Lord and God,' he cried.

8 How blest are they who have not seen,
And yet whose faith hath constant been,
For they eternal life shall win.

f 9 On this most holy day of days,
To God your hearts and voices raise
In laud and jubilee and praise.
AMEN.

80

'Because I live, ye shall live also.'

mf JESUS lives! no longer now
Can thy terrors, death, appal me;
Jesus lives! by this I know
From the grave He will recall me:
Brighter scenes at death commence;
This shall be my confidence.
Hallelujah!

2 Jesus lives! to Him the throne
High o'er all the world is given;
I may go where He is gone,
Live and reign with Him in heaven:
God through Christ forgives offence;
This shall be my confidence.

3 Jesus lives! for me He died;
Then will I, to Jesus living,
Pure in heart and act abide,
Praise to Him and glory giving:
Freely God doth aid dispense;
This shall be my confidence.

4 Jesus lives! my heart knows well
Nought shall me from Jesus sever,
Life nor death nor powers of hell
Part me now from Him for ever:
God will be a sure defence;
This shall be my confidence.

mp 5 Jesus lives! henceforth is death
But the gate of life immortal;
This shall calm my trembling breath
When I pass its gloomy portal:
Faith shall cry, as fails each sense,
'Lord, Thou art my confidence.'
AMEN.

80

SECOND FORM.

mf JESUS lives! no longer now
Can thy terrors, death, appal me;
Jesus lives! by this I know
From the grave He will recall me.
Hallelujah!

2 Jesus lives! to Him the throne
High o'er all the world is given;
I may go where He is gone,
Live and reign with Him in heaven.

3 Jesus lives! for me He died;
Then will I, to Jesus living,
Pure in heart and act abide,
Praise to Him and glory giving.

4 Jesus lives! my heart knows well
Nought shall me from Jesus sever,
Life nor death nor powers of hell
Part me now from Him for ever.

mp 5 Jesus lives! henceforth is death
But the gate of life immortal;
This shall calm my trembling breath
When I pass its gloomy portal.
AMEN.

81

'Thou hast ascended on high,
Thou hast led captivity captive.'

f PRAISE the Lord; sing 'Hallelujah!'
Lo! the victory is won;
Strife and conflict now are ended,
And the triumph is begun.
Bring the sacrifice of praises,
Our Deliverer to greet;
Come with joyful adoration,
Welcome Him with honour meet.

mp 2 We have seen His toil and anguish,
We have watched Him in the hour
When, unpitied and forsaken,
He endured the tyrant's power:
mf Now we see Him crowned with glory,
And we know ourselves set free:
He hath rent our bonds asunder,
Captive led captivity.

m 3 Mighty One, we bow before Thee,
And we own Thee Lord of all;
Jesus, Saviour, we adore Thee;
At Thy cross we meekly fall.
Help us, in this time of waiting,
In Thy strength to follow Thee,
That, partakers in Thy warfare,
We may share Thy victory.

f 4 Hallelujah! Christ is risen,
And He lives to die no more;
To His hand the keys are given,
Open is the prison-door.
ff Hallelujah! hallelujah!
Now our triumph is begun;
Death and hell are spoiled for ever,
And the victory is won. AMEN.

82

'Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at His coming.'

f HALLELUJAH! hallelujah!
Hearts to heaven and voices raise;
Sing to God a hymn of gladness,
Sing to God a hymn of praise;
mp He who on the cross a victim
For the world's salvation bled,
f Jesus Christ, the King of Glory,
Now is risen from the dead.

mf 2 Christ is risen, Christ the first-fruits
Of the holy harvest-field,
Which will all its full abundance
At His second coming yield;
Then the golden ears of harvest
Will their heads before Him wave,
Ripened by His glorious sunshine
From the furrows of the grave.

m 3 Christ is risen; we are risen;
Shed upon us heavenly grace,
Rain and dew, and gleams of glory
From the brightness of Thy face,
That we, with our hearts in heaven,
c Here on earth may fruitful be,
And by angel hands be gathered,
And be ever, Lord, with Thee.

f 4 Hallelujah! hallelujah!
Glory be to God on high;
Hallelujah to the Saviour,
Who has gained the victory;
Hallelujah to the Spirit,
Fount of love and sanctity:
ff Hallelujah! hallelujah
To the Triune Majesty! AMEN.

83

'And as they went to tell His disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, All hail.'

ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!

f THE day of resurrection!
Earth, tell it out abroad;
The passover of gladness,
The passover of God!
From death to life eternal,
From earth unto the sky,
Our Christ hath brought us over
With hymns of victory.

m 2 Our hearts be pure from evil,
That we may see aright
The Lord in rays eternal
Of resurrection light,
And, listening to His accents,
May hear, so calm and plain,
c His own 'All hail!' and, hearing,
May raise the victor strain.

f 3 Now let the heavens be joyful;
Let earth her song begin;
Let the round world keep triumph,
And all that is therein;
Invisible and visible,
Their notes let all things blend,
For Christ the Lord hath risen,
Our Joy that hath no end.
ff ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!
AMEN.

Also Hymns 366-372.

HIS ASCENSION AND EXALTATION

84

'While they beheld, He was taken up; and a cloud received Him out of their sight.'

m HE is gone—beyond the skies;
A cloud receives Him from our eyes;
Gone beyond the highest height
Of mortal gaze or angel's flight,
Through the veils of time and space
Passed into the holiest place,—
All the toil, the sorrow done,
All the battle fought and won.

mp 2 He is gone: and we remain
In this world of sin and pain;
In the void which He has left
On this earth, of Him bereft,
m We have still His work to do;
We can still His path pursue,
Seek Him both in friend and foe,
In ourselves His image show.

3 He is gone: we heard Him say,
'Good that I should go away.'
Gone is that dear form and face,
But not gone His present grace;
Though Himself no more we see,
Comfortless we cannot be:
c No! His Spirit still is ours,
Quickening, freshening all our powers.

mf 4 He is gone: but we once more
Shall behold Him as before,
In the heaven of heavens the same
As on earth He went and came;
In the many mansions there
Place for us He will prepare;
In that world unseen, unknown,
He and we shall yet be one. AMEN.

85

'Lift up your heads, O ye gates . . and the King of Glory shall come in.'

mf THE golden gates are lifted up,
The doors are opened wide;
The King of Glory is gone in
Unto His Father's side.

m 2 Thou art gone up before us, Lord,
To make for us a place,
That we may be where now Thou art,
And look upon God's face.

3 And ever on our earthly path
A gleam of glory lies;
A light still breaks behind the cloud
That veiled Thee from our eyes.

mf 4 Lift up our hearts, lift up our minds;
Let Thy dear grace be given,
That, while we wander here below,
Our treasure be in heaven;

5 That where Thou art, at God's right hand,
Our hope, our love may be.
Dwell Thou in us, that we may dwell
For evermore in Thee. AMEN.

86

'This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen Him go into heaven.'

f THOU art gone up on high
To mansions in the skies,
And round Thy throne unceasingly
The songs of praise arise:

mp But we are lingering here,
With sin and care oppressed;
c Lord, send Thy promised Comforter,
And lead us to our rest.

mf 2 Thou art gone up on high;
mp But Thou didst first come down,
Through earth's most bitter agony
To pass unto Thy crown:
And girt with griefs and fears
Our onward course must be;
c But only let that path of tears
Lead us at last to Thee.

mf 3 Thou art gone up on high;
But Thou shalt come again,
With all the bright ones of the sky
Attendant in Thy train.
mp O by Thy saving power
So make us live and die
c That we may stand, in that dread hour,
At Thy right hand on high.
AMEN.

87

'Who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God; angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto Him.'

mf HAIL, the day that sees Him rise,
Taken from our wishful eyes!
Christ, awhile to mortals given,
Re-ascends His native heaven.
f There the glorious triumph waits:
Lift your heads, eternal gates:
Wide unfold the radiant scene;
Take the King of Glory in.

2 Circled round with angel powers,
Their triumphant Lord and ours,
Conqueror over death and sin,
Take the King of Glory in.
mf Him though highest heaven receives,
Still He loves the earth He leaves;
Though returning to His throne,
Still He calls mankind His own.

3 See! He lifts His hands above;
See! He shows the prints of love;
Hark! His gracious lips bestow
Blessings on His Church below;
Still for us His death He pleads;
Prevalent He intercedes,
Near Himself prepares our place,
Harbinger of human race.

4 Ever upward let us move,
Wafted on the wings of love,
Looking when our Lord shall come,
Longing, panting after home.
There we shall with Thee remain,
Partners of Thy endless reign,
There Thy face unclouded see,
Find our heaven of heavens in Thee.
AMEN.

88

'God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ.'

mf THE Head that once was crowned with thorns
Is crowned with glory now;
A royal diadem adorns
The mighty Victor's brow.

2 The highest place that heaven affords
Is His, is His by right,
The King of kings and Lord of lords,
And heaven's eternal light,

3 The joy of all who dwell above,
The joy of all below
To whom He manifests His love,
And grants His name to know.

mp 4 To them the cross, with all its shame,
With all its grace, is given,—
mf Their name an everlasting name,
Their joy the joy of heaven.

m 5 They suffer with their Lord below,
They reign with Him above,—
Their profit and their joy to know
The mystery of His love.

6 The cross He bore is life and health,
mp Though shame and death to Him,—
f His people's hope, His people's wealth,
Their everlasting theme. AMEN.

89

'Rejoice in the Lord alway: and again I say, Rejoice.'

mf REJOICE, the Lord is King;
Your Lord and King adore;
Mortals, give thanks and sing
And triumph evermore:
f Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice; again I say, 'Rejoice.'

mf 2 Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,
The God of truth and love;
When He had purged our stains,
He took His seat above:
f Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice; again I say, 'Rejoice.'

mf 3 His kingdom cannot fail;
He rules o'er earth and heaven;
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus given:
f Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice; again I say, 'Rejoice.'

mf 4 He sits at God's right hand
Till all His foes submit,
And bow to His command,
And fall beneath His feet:
f Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice; again I say, 'Rejoice.'

5 Rejoice in glorious hope;
Jesus, the Judge, shall come,
And take His servants up
To their eternal home;
ff We soon shall hear the archangel's voice;
The trump of God shall sound, 'Rejoice.' AMEN.

90

'It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.'

mf HAIL, Thou once-despised Jesus!
Hail, Thou Galilæan King!
Thou didst suffer to release us;
Thou didst free salvation bring.
Hail, Thou universal Saviour!
Thou hast borne our sin and shame;
By Thy merits we find favour;
Life is given through Thy name.

mp 2 Paschal Lamb, by God appointed,
All our sins were on Thee laid;
By almighty love anointed,
Thou hast full atonement made.
Every sin may be forgiven
Through the virtue of Thy blood;
mf Opened is the gate of heaven;
Peace is made 'twixt man and God.

f 3 Jesus, hail! enthroned in glory,
There for ever to abide;
All the heavenly hosts adore Thee.
Seated at Thy Father's side.

mp There for sinners Thou art pleading,
'Spare them yet another year';
m Thou for saints art interceding,
Till in glory they appear.

f 4 Worship, honour, power, and blessing
Christ is worthy to receive;
Loudest praises, without ceasing,
Meet it is for us to give.
Help, ye bright angelic spirits,
Bring your sweetest, noblest lays;
Help to sing our Jesus' merits;
Help to chant Immanuel's praise.
AMEN.

91

'He is Lord of all.'

f ALL hail, the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
To crown Him Lord of all.

2 Crown Him, ye martyrs of your God,
Who from His altar call;
Extol Him in whose path ye trod,
And crown Him Lord of all.

3 Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,
Ye ransomed of the fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
And crown Him Lord of all.

mp 4 Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall,
c Go, spread your trophies at His feet,
And crown Him Lord of all.

f 5 Let every tongue and every tribe,
Responsive to the call,
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all.

mf 6 O that, with yonder sacred throng,
We at His feet may fall,
c Join in the everlasting song,
And crown Him Lord of all!
AMEN.

92

'Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God.'

f ALLELUIA! sing to Jesus!
His the sceptre, His the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph,
His the victory alone.
mf Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion
Thunder like a mighty flood:
f 'Jesus, out of every nation,
Hath redeemed us by His blood.'

mf 2 Alleluia! not as orphans
Are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! He is near us,
Faith believes, nor questions how.
Though the cloud from sight received Him
When the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget His promise,
'I am with you evermore'?

3 Alleluia! Bread of angels,
Thou on earth our Food, our Stay;
Alleluia! here the sinful
Flee to Thee from day to day.
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
Earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless
Sweep across the crystal sea.

f 4 Alleluia! sing to Jesus!
His the sceptre, His the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph,
His the victory alone.
mf Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion
Thunder like a mighty flood:
f 'Jesus, out of every nation,
Hath redeemed us by His blood.'
AMEN.

93

'And He hath on His vesture and on His thigh a name written, King of kings, and Lord of lords.'

mf LOOK, ye saints! the sight is glorious;
See the Man of Sorrows now;
From the fight returned victorious,
Every knee to Him shall bow:
f Crown Him! crown Him!
Crowns become the Victor's brow.

2 Crown the Saviour! angels, crown Him!
Rich the trophies Jesus brings;
In the seat of power enthrone Him,
While the vault of heaven rings:
Crown Him! crown Him!
Crown the Saviour King of kings!

mp 3 Sinners in derision crowned Him,
Mocking thus the Saviour's claim;
mf Saints and angels crowd around Him,
Own His title, praise His name:
f Crown Him! crown Him!
Spread abroad the Victor's fame.

ff 4 Hark, those bursts of acclamation!
Hark, those loud triumphant chords!
Jesus takes the highest station:
O what joy the sight affords!
Crown Him! crown Him
King of kings and Lord of lords!
AMEN.

94

'Who is this that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah?'

m WHO is this that comes from Edom,
All His raiment stained with blood,
To the slave proclaiming freedom,
Bringing and bestowing good,
mf Glorious in the garb He wears,
Glorious in the spoils He bears?

2 'T is the Saviour, now victorious,
Travelling onward in His might;
'T is the Saviour, O how glorious
To His people is the sight!
f Jesus now is strong to save,
Mighty to redeem the slave.

mp 3 Why that blood His raiment staining?
m 'T is the blood of many slain:
Of His foes there's none remaining—
None the contest to maintain;
Fallen they are, no more to rise;
All their glory prostrate lies.

4 This the Saviour has effected
By His mighty arm alone;
mf See the throne for Him erected!
'T is an everlasting throne;
'T is the great reward He gains,
Glorious fruit of all His pains.

f 5 Mighty Victor, reign for ever;
Wear the crown so dearly won;
Never shall Thy people, never
Cease to sing what Thou hast done.
Thou hast fought Thy people's foes;
Thou wilt heal Thy people's woes.
AMEN.

95

'And on His head were many crowns.'

f CROWN Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His throne:
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.

mf 2 Crown Him the Lord of love:
mp Behold His hands and side,
Those wounds, yet visible above.
In beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning eye
At mysteries so bright.

mf 3 Crown Him the Lord of peace,
Whose power a sceptre sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease,
Absorbed in prayer and praise.
His reign shall know no end;
And round His pierced feet
Fair flowers of Paradise extend
Their fragrance ever sweet.

4 Crown Him the Lord of years,
The Potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres,
Ineffably sublime.
f All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For Thou hast died for me:
Thy praise shall never, never fail
Throughout eternity. AMEN.

HIS INTERCESSION AND SYMPATHY

96

'We have a great High Priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God.'

m THOU standest at the altar,
Thou offerest every prayer;
In faith's unclouded vision
We see Thee ever there.

2 Out of Thy hand the incense
Ascends before the throne,
Where Thou art interceding,
Lord Jesus, for Thine own.

3 And, through Thy blood accepted,
With Thee we keep the feast:
Thou art alone the Victim;
Thou only art the Priest.

mp 4 We come, O only Saviour;
On Thee, the Lamb, we feed:
Thy flesh is bread from heaven;
Thy blood is drink indeed.

f 5 To Thee, Almighty Father;
Incarnate Son, to Thee;
To Thee, Anointing Spirit,—
All praise and glory be. AMEN.

97

'He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.'

p WHEN, wounded sore, the stricken heart
Lies bleeding and unbound,
One only hand, a pierced hand,
Can salve the sinner's wound.

2 When sorrow swells the laden breast,
And tears of anguish flow,
One only heart, a broken heart,
Can feel the sinner's woe.

3 When penitential grief has wept
Over some foul, dark spot,
One only stream, a stream of blood,
Can wash away the blot.

m 4 'Tis Jesus' blood that washes white,
His hand that brings relief,
His heart is touched with all our joys,
And feels for all our grief.

mp 5 Lift up Thy bleeding hand, O Lord;
Unseal that cleansing tide;
We have no shelter from our sin
But in Thy wounded side. AMEN.

98

'We have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: and He is the propitiation for our sins.'

p O JESUS, Lord most merciful,
Low at Thy cross I lie;
O sinners' Friend, most pitiful,
Hear my bewailing cry.
I come to Thee with mourning,
I come to Thee in woe,
With contrite heart returning,
And tears that overflow.

2 O gracious Intercessor,
O Priest within the veil,
Plead, for a lost transgressor,
The blood that cannot fail.
I spread my sins before Thee;
I tell them one by one;
O, for Thy name's great glory,
Forgive all I have done.

3 O, by Thy cross and passion,
Thy tears and agony,
And crown of cruel fashion,
And death on Calvary,

pp By all that untold suffering
Endured by Thee alone,
c O Priest, O spotless Offering,
Plead, for Thou didst atone.

mp 4 And in this heart now broken
Re-enter Thou and reign;
And say, by that dear token,
I am absolved again;
c And build me up, and guide me,
And guard me day by day;
And in Thy presence hide me,
And keep my soul alway. AMEN.

99

'An High Priest . . in all points tempted like as we are.'

p SAVIOUR, when in dust to Thee
Low we bow the adoring knee,
When, repentant, to the skies
Scarce we lift our weeping eyes,—
O, by all Thy pains and woe
Suffered once for man below,
Bending from Thy throne on high,
pp Hear our solemn litany!

p 2 By Thy helpless infant years,
By Thy life of want and tears,
By Thy days of sore distress
In the savage wilderness,
By the dread, mysterious hour
Of the insulting tempter's power,—
Turn, O turn a favouring eye,
pp Hear our solemn litany!

p 3 By the sacred grief that wept
O'er the grave where Lazarus slept,
By the boding tears that flowed
Over Salem's loved abode,
By the anguished sigh that told
Treachery lurked within Thy fold,—
From Thy seat above the sky,
pp Hear our solemn litany!

p 4 By Thy conflict with despair,
By Thine agony of prayer,
By the cross, the nail, the thorn,
Piercing spear, and torturing scorn,
By the gloom that veiled the skies
O'er the dreadful sacrifice,—
Listen to our humble cry,
pp Hear our solemn litany!

p 5 By Thy deep expiring groan,
By the sad sepulchral stone,
c By the vault whose dark abode
Held in vain the rising God,—
O, from earth to heaven restored,
Mighty re-ascended Lord,
Listen, listen to the cry
pp Of our solemn litany! AMEN.

100 *'Whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.'*

mp THOU who didst stoop below
To drain the cup of woe,
Wearing the form of frail mortality,
m Thy blessèd labours done,
Thy crown of victory won,
Hast passed from earth, passed to
Thy home on high.

2 Our eyes behold Thee not,
Yet hast Thou not forgot
Those who have placed their hope,
their trust in Thee;
c Before Thy Father's face
Thou hast prepared a place,
That where Thou art there they may
also be.

mp 3 It was no path of flowers
Which through this world of
ours,
Belovèd of the Father, Thou didst
tread;
And shall we in dismay
Shrink from the narrow way,
When clouds and darkness are a-
round it spread?

m 4 O Thou who art our life,
Be with us through the strife:
p Thy holy head by earth's fierce
storms was bowed;
m Raise Thou our eyes above,
To see a Father's love
Beam, like the bow of promise,
through the cloud.

mp 5 And O, if thoughts of gloom
Should hover o'er the tomb,
m That light of love our guiding star
shall be;
Our spirits shall not dread
The shadowy way to tread,
mf Friend, Guardian, Saviour, which
doth lead to Thee. AMEN.

101 *'For in that He Himself hath suffered being tempted, He is able to succour them that are tempted.'*

mp WHEN gathering clouds around
I view,
And days are dark and friends are
few,
m On Him I lean who, not in vain,
Experienced every human pain;
He sees my wants, allays my fears,
And counts and treasures up my
tears.

mp 2 If aught should tempt my soul to
stray
From heavenly wisdom's narrow
way,
To fly the good I would pursue,
Or do the sin I would not do,
m Still He, who felt temptation's
power,
Shall guard me in that dangerous
hour.

mp 3 If vexing thoughts within me rise,
And, sore dismayed, my spirit dies,
Still He, who once vouchsafed to
bear
The sickening anguish of despair,
Shall sweetly soothe, shall gently
dry,
The throbbing heart, the streaming
eye.

p 4 When sorrowing o'er some stone I
bend,
Which covers what was once a
friend,
And from his voice, his hand, his
smile
Divides me for a little while,
Thou, Saviour, mark'st the tears I
shed,
For Thou didst weep o'er Lazarus
dead.

mp 5 And O, when I have safely passed
Through every conflict but the last,
Still, still unchanging, watch beside
My painful bed, for Thou hast died;
m Then point to realms of cloudless
day,
And wipe the latest tear away.
AMEN.

102 *'A man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief.'*

p WHEN our heads are bowed with
woe,
When our bitter tears o'erflow,
When we mourn the lost, the dear,
Jesus, Man of Sorrows, hear!

2 Thou our throbbing flesh hast worn;
Thou our mortal griefs hast borne;
Thou hast shed the human tear:
Jesus, Man of Sorrows, hear!

pp 3 When the sullen death-bell tolls
For our own departing souls,
When our final doom is near,
Jesus, Man of Sorrows, hear!

p 4 Thou hast bowed the dying head;
Thou the blood of life hast shed;
Thou hast filled a mortal bier:
Jesus, Man of Sorrows, hear!

5 When the heart is sad within
With the thought of all its sin,
When the spirit shrinks with fear,
Jesus, Man of Sorrows, hear!

6 Thou the shame, the grief, hast known,
Though the sins were not Thine own;
Thou hast deigned their load to bear:
Jesus, Man of Sorrows, hear! AMEN.

103

'I know their sorrows.'

mp THOU knowest, Lord, the weariness and sorrow
Of the sad heart that comes to Thee for rest;
Cares of to-day, and burdens for to-morrow,
Blessings implored, and sins to be confessed,—
I come before Thee at Thy gracious word,
And lay them at Thy feet: Thou knowest, Lord.

2 Thou knowest all the past: how long and blindly
On the dark mountains the lost wanderer strayed;
How the Good Shepherd followed, and how kindly
He bore it home, upon His shoulders laid,
And healed the bleeding wounds, and soothed the pain,
c And brought back life and hope and strength again.

mp 3 Thou knowest all the present: each temptation,
Each toilsome duty, each foreboding fear;
All to myself assigned of tribulation,
Or to beloved ones than self more dear;
d All pensive memories, as I journey on,
Longings for vanished smiles and voices gone.

m 4 Thou knowest all the future: gleams of gladness
By stormy clouds too quickly overcast;
d Hours of sweet fellowship, and parting sadness,
p And the dark river to be crossed at last;
c O what could confidence and hope afford
To tread that path, but this, 'Thou knowest, Lord'?

m 5 Thou knowest, not alone as God, all knowing;
As Man our mortal weakness Thou hast proved;
On earth, with purest sympathies o'erflowing,
p O Saviour, Thou hast wept, and Thou hast loved;
c And love and sorrow still to Thee may come,
And find a hiding-place, a rest, a home.

m 6 Therefore I come, Thy gentle call obeying,
And lay my sins and sorrows at Thy feet,
mf On everlasting strength my weakness staying,
Clothed in Thy robe of righteousness complete;
c Then rising and refreshed I leave Thy throne,
And follow on to know as I am known. AMEN.

104

'We have not an High Priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities.'

mp THERE is no sorrow, Lord, too light
To bring in prayer to Thee;
There is no anxious care too slight
To wake Thy sympathy.

2 Thou, who hast trod the thorny road,
Wilt share each small distress;
m The love which bore the greater load
Will not refuse the less.

mp 3 There is no secret sigh we breathe
But meets Thine ear Divine;
And every cross grows light beneath
The shadow, Lord, of Thine.

m 4 Life's ills without, sin's strife within,
The heart would overflow,
But for that love which died for sin,
That love which wept with woe.
AMEN.

Also Hymns
43, 45, 50, 185, 292, 426, 427.

HIS SECOND COMING

105

'Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord.'

f CHRIST is coming! let creation
From her groans and travail cease;
Let the glorious proclamation
Hope restore and faith increase:
Christ is coming!
Come, Thou blessèd Prince of Peace.

mp 2 Earth can now but tell the story
Of Thy bitter cross and pain;
mf She shall yet behold Thy glory,
When Thou comest back to reign:
Christ is coming!
Let each heart repeat the strain.

mp 3 Long Thine exiles have been pining,
Far from rest, and home, and Thee;
mf But, in heavenly vestures shining,
They their loving Lord shall see:
c Christ is coming!
Haste the joyous jubilee.

f 4 With that blessèd hope before us,
Let no harp remain unstrung;
Let the mighty advent chorus
Onward roll from tongue to tongue:
ff 'Christ is coming!
Come, Lord Jesus, quickly come!'
AMEN.

106

'Behold, He cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see Him, and they also which pierced Him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of Him. Even so, Amen.'

mf LO! He comes with clouds descending,
Once for favoured sinners slain;
Thousand thousand saints attending
Swell the triumph of His train:
f Hallelujah!
Hallelujah! Amen.

mp 2 Every eye shall now behold Him,
Robed in dreadful majesty;
Those who set at nought and sold Him,
p Pierced, and nailed Him to the tree,
Deeply wailing,
Shall the true Messiah see.

3 Every island, sea, and mountain,
Heaven and earth, shall flee away;
All who hate Him must, confounded,
Hear the trump proclaim the day:
Come to judgment!
Come to judgment! come away!

m 4 Now redemption, long expected,
See in solemn pomp appear;
All His saints, by man rejected,
Now shall meet Him in the air:
f Hallelujah!
See the day of God appear!

5 Yea, Amen! let all adore Thee,
High on Thine eternal throne;
Saviour, take the power and glory,
Claim the kingdom for Thine own:
O come quickly;
ff Hallelujah! come, Lord, come!
AMEN.

107

'The desire of all nations shall come.'

m COME, Thou long-expected Jesus,
Born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us;
Let us find our rest in Thee.

mf 2 Israel's Strength and Consolation,
Hope of all the earth Thou art,
Dear Desire of every nation,
Joy of every longing heart.

3 Born Thy people to deliver,
Born a Child and yet a King,
Born to reign in us for ever,
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring

4 By Thy own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thy all-sufficient merit
Raise us to Thy glorious throne.
AMEN

108

'We, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth.'

m LIGHT of the lonely pilgrim's heart,
Star of the coming day,
mf Arise, and with Thy morning beams
Chase all our griefs away.

f 2 Come, blessèd Lord, bid every shore
And answering island sing
The praises of Thy royal name,
And own Thee as their King.

3 Bid the whole earth, responsive now
To the bright world above,
Break forth in rapturous strains of joy
In memory of Thy love.

mp 4 Lord, Lord, Thy fair creation groans—
The air, the earth, the sea—
c In unison with all our hearts,
And calls aloud for Thee.

m 5 Come then, with all Thy quickening power,
With one awakening smile,
And bid the serpent's trail no more
Thy beauteous realms defile.

6 Thine was the cross, with all its fruits
Of grace and peace divine;
f Be Thine the crown of glory now,
The palm of victory Thine.
AMEN.

109

'The Redeemer shall come to Zion.'

mp O COME, O come, Immanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.
mf *Rejoice! rejoice! Immanuel*
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

mp 2 O come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free
Thine own from Satan's tyranny;
c From depths of hell Thy people save,
And give them victory o'er the grave.

m 3 O come, Thou Dayspring, come and cheer
Our spirits by Thine advent here;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to flight.

4 O come, Thou Key of David, come,
And open wide our heavenly home;
Make safe the way that leads on high,
And close the path to misery.

mf 5 O come, O come, Thou Lord of might,
Who to Thy tribes, on Sinai's height,
In ancient times didst give the law
In cloud and majesty and awe.
AMEN.

110

'Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end.'

mf THY kingdom come, O God;
Thy rule, O Christ, begin;
Break with Thine iron rod
The tyrannies of sin.

mp 2 Where is Thy reign of peace
And purity and love?
When shall all hatred cease,
As in the realms above?

3 When comes the promised time
That war shall be no more,
And lust, oppression, crime,
Shall flee Thy face before?

m 4 We pray Thee, Lord, arise,
And come in Thy great might;
Revive our longing eyes,
Which languish for Thy sight.

mp 5 Men scorn Thy sacred name,
And wolves devour Thy fold;
By many deeds of shame
We learn that love grows cold.

6 O'er heathen lands afar
Thick darkness broodeth yet:
mf Arise, O Morning Star,
Arise and never set. AMEN.

111

'Save with Thy right hand, and hear me.'

mp LORD of mercy and of might,
Of mankind the Life and Light,
Maker, Teacher infinite,
p Jesus, hear and save.

m 2 Strong Creator, Saviour mild,
d Humbled to a mortal Child,
Captive, beaten, bound, reviled,
p Jesus, hear and save.

mf 3 Throned above celestial things,
Borne aloft on angels' wings,
c Lord of lords and King of kings,
Jesus, hear and save.

m 4 Soon to come to earth again,
Judge of angels and of men,
c Hear us now, and hear us then,
p Jesus, hear, and save. AMEN.

112

'Waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.'

mp THE Church has waited long
Her absent Lord to see;
And still in loneliness she waits,
A friendless stranger she.
Age after age has gone,
Sun after sun has set,
And still, in weeds of widowhood,
She weeps, a mourner yet.
c Come, then, Lord Jesus, come!

mp 2 Saint after saint on earth
Has lived and loved and died;
And, as they left us one by one,
p We laid them side by side:
We laid them down to sleep,
mp But not in hope forlorn;
We laid them but to slumber there
c Till the last, glorious morn.
Come, then, Lord Jesus, come!

mp 3 The serpent's brood increase;
The powers of hell grow bold;
d The conflict thickens; faith is low,
And love is waxing cold.
p How long, O Lord our God,
Holy and true and good?
Wilt Thou not judge Thy suffering Church,
Her sighs and tears and blood?
c Come, then, Lord Jesus, come!

m 4 The whole creation groans,
And waits to hear that voice
That shall restore her comeliness
And make her wastes rejoice.
mf Come, Lord, and wipe away
The curse, the sin, the stain;
And make this blighted world of ours
Thine own fair world again.
c Come, then, Lord Jesus, come!
AMEN.

113

'Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.'

mf THOU art coming, O my Saviour,
Thou art coming, O my King,
In Thy beauty all-resplendent,
In Thy glory all-transcendent;
Well may we rejoice and sing.
Coming! in the opening east
Herald brightness slowly swells;
Coming! O my glorious Priest,
Hear we not Thy golden bells?

2 Thou art coming, Thou art coming;
We shall meet Thee on Thy way,
We shall see Thee, we shall know Thee,
We shall bless Thee, we shall show Thee
All our hearts could never say.
f What an anthem that will be,
Ringing out our love to Thee,
Pouring out our rapture sweet
At Thine own all-glorious feet!

mp 3 Thou art coming; at Thy table
We are witnesses for this,
While remembering hearts Thou meetest
In communion clearest, sweetest,
Earnest of our coming bliss,
Showing not Thy death alone
And Thy love exceeding great,
But Thy coming and Thy throne,
All for which we long and wait.

m 4 Thou art coming; we are waiting
With a hope that cannot fail,
Asking not the day or hour,
Resting on Thy word of power,
Anchored safe within the veil.
Time appointed may be long,
But the vision must be sure;
Certainty shall make us strong;
Joyful patience can endure.

f 5 O the joy to see Thee reigning,
Thee, my own belovèd Lord!
Every tongue Thy name confessing,
Worship, honour, glory, blessing
Brought to Thee with glad accord,—
Thee, my Master and my Friend,
Vindicated and enthroned,
Unto earth's remotest end
c Glorified, adored, and owned.
AMEN.

114

'Let your loins be girded about, and your lights burning; and ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their lord.'

mf REJOICE, all ye believers,
And let your lights appear;
m The evening is advancing,
And darker night is near.
The Bridegroom is arising,
And soon He draweth nigh:
mf Up! pray and watch and wrestle;
At midnight comes the cry.

m 2 See that your lamps are burning;
Replenish them with oil;
And wait for your salvation,
The end of earthly toil.

The watchers on the mountain
Proclaim the Bridegroom near;
mf Go, meet Him, as He cometh,
With hallelujahs clear.

3 Ye wise and holy virgins,
Now raise your voices higher,
Till, in glad songs of triumph,
They meet the angel choir.
The marriage-feast is waiting;
The gates wide open stand:
c Arise, ye heirs of glory,
The Bridegroom is at hand.

mf 4 Our Hope and Expectation,
O Jesus, now appear;
Arise, Thou Sun so longed for,
O'er this benighted sphere.
With hearts and hands uplifted,
We plead, O Lord, to see
The day of earth's redemption
That brings us home to Thee.
AMEN.

115 *'Blessed are those servants, whom the lord when he cometh shall find watching.'*

n YE servants of the Lord,
Each in his office wait,
Observant of His heavenly word,
And watchful at His gate.

2 Let all your lamps be bright,
And trim the golden flame;
Gird up your loins, as in His sight,
p For awful is His name.

m 3 Watch: 't is your Lord's command,
And while we speak He's near;
Mark the first signal of His hand,
And ready all appear.

mf 4 O happy servant he
In such a posture found!
He shall his Lord with rapture see,
And be with honour crowned.

f 5 Christ shall the banquet spread
With His own royal hand,
And raise that faithful servant's head
Amid the angelic band. AMEN.

116 *'And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him.'*

f 'WAKE, awake! for night is flying,
The watchmen on the heights are crying,
'Awake, Jerusalem, at last!'
Midnight hears the welcome voices,
And at the thrilling cry rejoices:
'Come forth, ye virgins, night is past
The Bridegroom comes; awake,
Your lamps with gladness take
Hallelujah!
And for His marriage feast prepare,
For ye must go to meet Him there.'

mf 2 Zion hears the watchmen singing,
And all her heart with joy is springing;
She wakes, she rises from her gloom;
For her Lord comes down all-glorious,
The strong in grace, in truth victorious;
Her Star is risen, her Light is come!
mp Ah come, Thou blessèd One,
God's own belovèd Son;
f Hallelujah!
We follow till the halls we see
Where Thou hast bid us sup with Thee.

mf 3 Now let all the heavens adore Thee,
And men and angels sing before Thee
With harp and cymbal's clearest tone;
Of one pearl each shining portal,
Where we are with the choir immortal
Of angels round Thy dazzling throne;
Nor eye hath seen, nor ear
Hath yet attained to hear
What there is ours
f But we rejoice, and sing to Thee
Our hymn of joy eternally.
AMEN.

117 *'Unto them that look for Him shall He appear the second time without sin unto salvation.'*

m WHEN Jesus came to earth of old,
He came in weakness and in woe;
He wore no form of angel mould,
But took our nature, poor and low.

mp 2 But, when He cometh back once more,
Then shall be set the great white throne;
And earth and heaven shall flee before
The face of Him that sits thereon.

p 3 O Son of God, in glory crowned,
The Judge ordained of quick and dead,
O Son of Man, so pitying found
For all the tears Thy people shed,

4 Be with us in this darkened place,
This weary, restless, dangerous night;
c And teach, O teach us by Thy grace
To struggle onward into light.

mp 5 And, since in God's recording book
Our sins are written every one—
The crime, the wrath, the wandering look,
The good we knew and left undone—

p 6 Lord, ere the last dread trump be heard,
And ere before Thy face we stand,
Look Thou on each accusing word,
And blot it with Thy bleeding hand.

m 7 And by the love that brought Thee here,
And by the cross and by the grave,
Give perfect love for conscious fear,
And in the day of judgment save.

mf 8 And lead us on while here we stray,
And make us love our heavenly home,
Till from our hearts we love to say,
'Even so, Lord Jesus, quickly come.' AMEN.

118

'Let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch.'

mf HARK! 'tis the watchman's cry,
'Wake, brethren, wake!'
Jesus our Lord is nigh;
Wake, brethren, wake!
Sleep is for sons of night;
Ye are children of the light,
Yours is the glory bright;
Wake, brethren, wake!

m 2 Call to each waking band,
'Watch, brethren, watch!'
Clear is our Lord's command;
Watch, brethren, watch!
Be ye as men that wait
Always at the Master's gate,
Even though He tarry late;
Watch, brethren, watch!

mf 3 Heed we the steward's call,
'Work, brethren, work!'
There's room enough for all;
Work, brethren, work!
This vineyard of the Lord
Constant labour will afford;
Yours is a sure reward;
Work, brethren, work!

mp 4 Hear we the Shepherd's voice,
'Pray, brethren, pray!'
Would ye His heart rejoice?
Pray, brethren, pray!
Sin calls for constant fear,
Weakness needs the Strong One near,
Long as ye struggle here;
Pray, brethren, pray!

f 5 Now sound the final chord,
'Praise, brethren, praise!'
Thrice holy is our Lord;
Praise, brethren, praise!
What more befits the tongues
Soon to lead the angels' songs,
While heaven the note prolongs?
Praise, brethren, praise! AMEN.

119

'Behold, I come quickly; and My reward is with Me, to give every man according as his work shall be.'

mp O QUICKLY come, dread Judge of all:
For, awful though Thine advent be,
All shadows from the truth will fall,
And falsehood die, in sight of Thee:
c O quickly come; for doubt and fear
Like clouds dissolve when Thou art near.

mf 2 O quickly come, great King of all:
Reign all around us, and within;
Let sin no more our souls enthral,
Let pain and sorrow die with sin:
O quickly come; for Thou alone
Canst make Thy scattered people one.

m 3 O quickly come, true Life of all:
mp For death is mighty all around;
On every home his shadows fall,
On every heart his mark is found:
mf O quickly come; for grief and pain
Can never cloud Thy glorious reign.

m 4 O quickly come, sure Light of all:
mp For gloomy night broods o'er our way,
And weakly souls begin to fall
With weary watching for the day:
mf O quickly come; for round Thy throne
No eye is blind, no night is known.
AMEN.

120

'That day is a day of wrath.'

mp DAY of wrath! O day of mourning!
See fulfilled the prophets' warning,
Heaven and earth in ashes burning!

p 2 O what fear man's bosom rendeth,
When from heaven the Judge descendeth,
On whose sentence all dependeth!

mf 3 Wondrous sound the trumpet flingeth;
Through earth's sepulchres it ringeth;
All before the throne it bringeth.

m 4 Death is struck, and nature quaking;
All creation is awaking,
To its Judge an answer making.

5 Lo! the book, exactly worded,
Wherein all hath been recorded;
Thence shall judgment be awarded.

p 6 When the Judge His seat attaineth
And each hidden deed arraigneth,
Nothing unavenged remaineth.

pp 7 What shall I, frail man, be pleading,
Who for me be interceding,
When the just are mercy needing?

mf 8 King of majesty tremendous,
Who dost free salvation send us,
Fount of pity, then befriend us.

p 9 Think, good Jesus, my salvation
Caused Thy wondrous incarnation;
Leave me not to reprobation.

10 Faint and weary Thou hast sought me,
On the cross of suffering bought me;
Shall such grace be vainly brought me?

11 Righteous Judge, for sin's pollution
Grant Thy gift of absolution,
Ere that day of retribution.

12 Guilty, now I pour my moaning,
All my shame with anguish owning;
Spare, O God, Thy suppliant groaning.

mp 13 Thou the sinful woman savedst,
Thou the dying thief forgavest,
And to me a hope vouchsafest.

p 14 Worthless are my prayers and sighing;
Yet, good Lord, in grace complying,
Rescue me from fires undying.

15 With Thy favoured sheep O place me,
Nor among the goats abase me,
But to Thy right hand upraise me.

f 16 While the wicked are confounded,
ff Doomed to flames of woe unbounded,
pp Call me with Thy saints surrounded.

p 17 Low I kneel, with heart submission;
See, like ashes, my contrition;
Help me in my last condition.

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p 18 Ah, that day of tears and mourning!
c From the dust of earth returning,
f Man for judgment must prepare him;
d Spare, O God, in mercy spare him!

pp 19 Lord all-pitying, Jesus blest,
Grant them Thine eternal rest.
AMEN.

121

'I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day.'

pp THAT day of wrath, that dreadful day,
When heaven and earth shall pass away,
What power shall be the sinner's stay?
How shall he meet that dreadful day?

2 When, shrivelling like a parchèd scroll,
The flaming heavens together roll;
When, louder yet, and yet more dread,
Swells the high trump that wakes the dead;

p 3 O, on that day, that wrathful day,
When man to judgment wakes from clay,
Be Thou the trembling sinner's stay,
Though heaven and earth shall pass away! AMEN.

Also Hymns 331, 417-420, 429-447.

HIS PRAISE

122

'Prayer also shall be made for Him continually; and daily shall He be praised.'

m WHEN morning gilds the skies,
My heart awaking cries,
mf 'May Jesus Christ be praised!'
m Alike at work and prayer
To Jesus I repair:
mf 'May Jesus Christ be praised!'

m 2 Whene'er the sweet church bell
Peals over hill and dell,
mf 'May Jesus Christ be praised!'
m O hark to what it sings,
As joyously it rings,
f 'May Jesus Christ be praised!'

mp 3 When sleep her balm denies,
My silent spirit sighs,
c 'May Jesus Christ be praised!'
m When evil thoughts molest,
With this I shield my breast,
c 'May Jesus Christ be praised!'

mp 4 Does sadness fill my mind?
c A solace here I find,
'May Jesus Christ be praised!'
mp Or fades my earthly bliss?
c My comfort still is this,
'May Jesus Christ be praised!'

m 5 In heaven's eternal bliss
The loveliest strain is this,
f 'May Jesus Christ be praised!'
m The powers of darkness fear
When this sweet chant they hear,
'May Jesus Christ be praised!'

mf 6 To God, the Word, on high
The host of angels cry,
'May Jesus Christ be praised!'
Let mortals, too, upraise
Their voice in hymns of praise:
'May Jesus Christ be praised!'

f 7 Let earth's wide circle round
In joyful notes resound,
'May Jesus Christ be praised!'
c Let air and sea and sky,
From depth to height, reply,
'May Jesus Christ be praised!'

mf 8 Be this, while life is mine,
My canticle divine,
'May Jesus Christ be praised!'
Be this the eternal song
Through all the ages on,
'May Jesus Christ be praised!'
AMEN.

123

'My Lord and my God.'

mf JESUS is God! the solid earth,
The ocean broad and bright,
The countless stars, like golden dust,
That strow the skies at night,
The wheeling storm, the dreadful fire,
The pleasant, wholesome air,
The summer's sun, the winter's frost,
His own creations were.

2 Jesus is God! the glorious bands
Of golden angels sing
Songs of adoring praise to Him,
Their Maker and their King.
He was true God in Bethlehem's crib,
On Calvary's cross true God;
He who in heaven eternal reigned
In time on earth abode.

mp 3 Jesus is God! let sorrow come,
And pain, and every ill;
All are worth while, for all are means
His glory to fulfil.
m And what to us the single end
Of this life's mortal span,
Except to glorify the God
Who for our sakes was Man?

mf 4 Jesus is God! O, could I now
But compass land and sea,
To teach and tell this single truth,
How happy should I be!
O, had I but an angel's voice,
I would proclaim so loud,
f 'Jesus, the good, the beautiful,
Is everlasting God!' AMEN.

124

'Blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.'

mp WE saw Thee not when Thou didst come
To this poor world of sin and death,
Nor e'er beheld Thy cottage home
In that despised Nazareth;
mf But we believe Thy footsteps trod
Its streets and plains, Thou Son of God.

p 2 We did not see Thee lifted high
Amid that wild and savage crew,
Nor heard Thy meek, imploring cry,
'Forgive, they know not what they do';
mp Yet we believe the deed was done
Which shook the earth, and veiled the sun.

m 3 We stood not by the empty tomb
Where late Thy sacred body lay,
Nor sat within that upper room,
Nor met Thee in the open way;
mf But we believe that angels said,
'Why seek the living with the dead?

m 4 We did not mark the chosen few,
When Thou didst through the clouds ascend,
First lift to heaven their wondering view,
Then to the earth all prostrate bend;
mf Yet we believe that mortal eyes
Beheld that journey to the skies.

m 5 And now that Thou dost reign on high,
And thence Thy waiting people bless,
No ray of glory from the sky
Doth shine upon our wilderness;
f But we believe Thy faithful word,
And trust in our redeeming Lord.
AMEN.

125

O Lord, open Thou my lips; and my mouth shall shew forth Thy praise.'

mf SWEETER sounds than music knows
Charm me in Immanuel's name;
All her hopes my spirit owes
To His birth and cross and shame.

2 When He came, the angels sung,
'Glory be to God on high!'
Lord, unloose my stammering tongue:
Who should louder sing than I?

m 3 Did the Lord a Man become
That He might the law fulfil,
p Bleed and suffer in my room,—
m And canst thou, my tongue, be still?

mf 4 No! I must my praises bring,
Though they worthless are, and weak;
For, should I refuse to sing,
Sure the very stones would speak.

f 5 O my Saviour, Shield, and Sun,
Shepherd, Brother, Husband, Friend—
Every precious name in one—
I will love Thee without end.
AMEN.

126

'Thy sun shall no more go down . . for the Lord shall be thine everlasting light.'

mf LIGHT of the world! for ever, ever shining,
There is no change in Thee;
True Light of life, all joy and health enshrining,
Thou canst not fade nor flee.

2 Thou hast arisen, but Thou descendest never;
To-day shines as the past;
All that Thou wast Thou art, and shalt be ever,
Brightness from first to last.

3 Night visits not Thy sky, nor storm, nor sadness;
Day fills up all its blue,—
Unfailing beauty, and unfaltering gladness,
And love for ever new.

f 4 Light of the world! undimming and unsetting,
O shine each mist away;
Banish the fear, the falsehood, and the fretting;
Be our unchanging Day. AMEN.

127

'I am the way, the truth, and the life.'

m THOU art the Way: to Thee alone
From sin and death we flee;
And he who would the Father seek
Must seek Him, Lord, by Thee.

2 Thou art the Truth: Thy word alone
True wisdom can impart;
Thou only canst inform the mind,
And purify the heart.

mf 3 Thou art the Life: the rending tomb
Proclaims Thy conquering arm;
And those who put their trust in Thee
Nor death nor hell shall harm.

m 4 Thou art the Way, the Truth, the Life:
Grant us that way to know,
That truth to keep, that life to win,
Whose joys eternal flow. AMEN.

128

'I heard the voice of many angels .. and the elders .. saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb.'

mp HARK! how heaven is calling,
In sweet echoes falling
From angelic harps and voices:
mf 'T is the wondrous story,
Chiefest theme in glory,
Grace o'er man redeemed rejoices:
f This inspires
All their lyres,
And with harp and singing
Heaven's dome is ringing.

m 2 Saint unites with angel,
Hymning the evangel,
mf Glory to the God of heaven!
Glory to the Spirit!
And to Jesus' merit
Let hosannas loud be given!
For He saves
Sinful slaves,
Them from ruin raising
In His love amazing.

m 3 Does salvation's story
Waken praise in glory
To the Lamb who suffered for us?
mf And, while heaven rejoices,
Shall not kindred voices
Swell from earth to join the chorus?
f Yes! the song,
Loud and strong,
Shall to glory's portals
Rise from saved immortals.
AMEN.

129

'Christ is all, and in all.'

m REST of the weary,
Joy of the sad,
Hope of the dreary,
Light of the glad.
Home of the stranger,
Strength to the end,
Refuge from danger,
Saviour and Friend!

mp 2 Pillow where, lying,
Love rests its head,
Peace of the dying,
Life of the dead,
Path of the lowly,
Prize at the end,
Breath of the holy,
Saviour and Friend!

m 3 When my feet stumble,
I to Thee cry,
Crown of the humble,
Cross of the high;
When my steps wander,
Over me bend,
c Truer and fonder,
Saviour and Friend.

f 4 Ever confessing
Thee, I will raise
Unto Thee blessing,
Glory, and praise,—
All my endeavour,
World without end,
Thine to be ever,
Saviour and Friend. AMEN.

130

'O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together.'

mf JOIN all the glorious names
Of wisdom, love, and power
That ever mortals knew,
That angels ever bore:
f All are too mean to speak His worth,
Too mean to set my Saviour forth.

mf 2 Great Prophet of my God,
My tongue would bless Thy name;
By Thee the joyful news
Of our salvation came,—
The joyful news of sins forgiven,
Of hell subdued and peace with heaven.

m 3 Jesus, my great High Priest,
Offered His blood and died;
My guilty conscience seeks
No sacrifice beside:
c His powerful blood did once atone,
And now it pleads before the throne.

mf 4 My dear almighty Lord,
My Conqueror and my King,
Thy sceptre and Thy sword,
Thy reigning grace, I sing:
f Thine is the power: behold I sit
In willing bonds beneath Thy feet.
AMEN.

131

'Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.'

m ONE there is, above all others,
Well deserves the name of Friend;
His is love beyond a brother's,
Costly, free, and knows no end:
c They who once His kindness prove
Find it everlasting love.

m 2 Which of all our friends, to save us,
Could or would have shed their blood?
mf But our Jesus died to have us
Reconciled in Him to God:
f This was boundless love indeed!
Jesus is a Friend in need.

m 3 When He lived on earth abasèd,
Friend of sinners was His name;
mf Now, above all glory raisèd,
He rejoices in the same;
Still He calls them brethren, friends,
And to all their wants attends.

m 4 Could we bear from one another
What He daily bears from us?
mf Yet this glorious Friend and Brother
Loves us though we treat Him thus;
Though for good we render ill,
He accounts us brethren still.

mp 5 O for grace our hearts to soften!
Teach us, Lord, at length to love:
We, alas! forget too often
What a Friend we have above;
mf But, when home our souls are brought,
We will love Thee as we ought.
AMEN.

132

'Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?'

m LORD Jesus, are we one with Thee?
O height, O depth of love!
mp Thou one with us upon the tree,
m We one with Thee above!

2 Such was Thy grace that for our sake
Thou didst from heaven come down,
With us of flesh and blood partake,
In all our misery one.

mp 3 Our sins, our guilt, in love Divine
Confessed and borne by Thee,
p The gall, the curse, the wrath were Thine,
c To set Thy members free.

mf 4 Ascended now, in glory bright,
Still one with us Thou art;
c Nor life nor death, nor depth nor height,
Thy saints and Thee can part.

m 5 O teach us, Lord, to know and own
This wondrous mystery,
That Thou with us art truly one
And we are one with Thee.

mf 6 Soon, soon shall come that glorious day
When, seated on Thy throne,
Thou shalt to wondering worlds display
That Thou with us art one.
AMEN.

Also Hymns
92, 192, 198-218, 282.

THE HOLY SPIRIT

133

'If I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send Him unto you.'

mp OUR blest Redeemer, ere He breathed
His tender last farewell,
A Guide, a Comforter bequeathed,
With us to dwell.

m 2 He came in tongues of living flame,
To teach, convince, subdue;
All-powerful as the wind He came,
As viewless too.

mp 3 He came sweet influence to impart,
A gracious, willing Guest,
While He can find one humble heart
Wherein to rest.

4 And His that gentle voice we hear,
Soft as the breath of even,
That checks each fault, that calms each fear,
And speaks of heaven.

m 5 And every virtue we possess,
And every victory won,
And every thought of holiness
Are His alone.

mp 6 Spirit of purity and grace,
Our weakness, pitying, see;
c O make our hearts Thy dwelling-place,
And worthier Thee.

f 7 O praise the Father; praise the Son;
Blest Spirit. praise to Thee:
All praise to God, the Three in One,
The One in Three! AMEN.

134 *'And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind.'*

m WHEN God of old came down from heaven,
In power and wrath He came;
Before His feet the clouds were riven,
Half darkness and half flame.

2 But, when He came the second time,
He came in power and love;
mp Softer than gale at morning prime
Hovered His holy Dove.

m 3 The fires that rushed on Sinai down
In sudden torrents dread
mp Now gently light, a glorious crown,
On every sainted head.

m 4 And, as on Israel's awe-struck ear
The voice exceeding loud,
The trump that angels quake to hear,
Thrilled from the deep, dark cloud,

5 So, when the Spirit of our God
Came down His flock to find,
A voice from heaven was heard abroad,
A rushing mighty wind.

6 It fills the Church of God; it fills
The sinful world around;
mp Only in stubborn hearts and wills
No place for it is found.

m 7 Come, Lord; come, Wisdom, Love, and Power;
Open our ears to hear;
Let us not miss the accepted hour;
d Save, Lord, by love or fear. AMEN.

135 *'The gift of the Holy Ghost.'*

mf COME, Holy Ghost, Creator, come,
And visit all the souls of Thine;
Thou hast inspired our hearts with life;
Inspire them now with life Divine.

2 Thou art the Comforter, the gift
Of God most high, the fire of love,
The everlasting spring of joy
And holy unction from above.

3 Thy gifts are manifold: Thou writ'st
God's laws in every faithful heart;
The promise of the Father, Thou
Dost heavenly eloquence impart.

4 Enlighten our dark souls till they
Thy love, Thy heavenly love, embrace;
And, since we are by nature frail,
Assist us with Thy saving grace.

5 Drive far from us the mortal foe,
And grant us to have peace within,
That, with Thy light and guidance blest,
We may escape the snares of sin.

6 Teach us the Father to confess,
And Son, who from the grave revived,
And, with the Father and the Son,
Thee, Holy Ghost, from both derived.

f 7 With Thee, O Father, therefore may
The Son, who was from death restored,
And sacred Comforter, one God,
To endless ages be adored. AMEN.

136 *'The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.'*

mf COME, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire;
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost Thy sevenfold gifts impart.

2 Thy blessèd unction from above
Is comfort, life, and fire of love.
Enable with perpetual light
The dulness of our blinded sight;

3 Anoint and cheer our soilèd face
With the abundance of Thy grace;
Keep far our foes; give peace at home:
Where Thou art Guide no ill can come.

4 Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And Thee of Both, to be but One,
That through the ages all along
This may be our endless song,
f 'Praise to Thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.'
AMEN.

137 *'Know ye not that ye are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?'*

m CREATOR Spirit! by whose aid
The world's foundations first were laid,
Come, visit every pious mind,
Come, pour Thy joys on human kind;
From sin and sorrow set us free,
And make Thy temples worthy Thee.

2 O source of uncreated light,
The Father's promised Paraclete,
Thrice holy fount, thrice holy fire,
Our hearts with heavenly love inspire;
mf Come, and thy sacred unction bring
To sanctify us while we sing.

3 Plenteous of grace, descend from high,
Rich in Thy sevenfold energy;
Thou Strength of His almighty hand
Whose power does heaven and earth command,
Give us Thyself, that we may see
The Father and the Son by Thee.

f 4 Immortal honour, endless fame
Attend the almighty Father's name;
The Saviour Son be glorified,
Who for lost man's redemption died;
And equal adoration be,
Eternal Paraclete, to Thee. AMEN.

138 *'The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance.'*

mf COME, Thou Holy Paraclete,
And from Thy celestial seat
Send Thy light and brilliancy.

m 2 Father of the poor, draw near;
Giver of all gifts, be here;
Come, the soul's true radiancy.

3 Come, of comforters the best,
Of the soul the sweetest guest,
Come in toil refreshingly.

4 Thou in labour rest most sweet,
Thou art shadow from the heat,
Comfort in adversity.

5 O Thou Light, most pure and blest,
Shine within the inmost breast
Of Thy faithful company.

mp 6 Where Thou art not man hath nought;
Every holy deed and thought
Comes from Thy Divinity.

7 What is soilèd make Thou pure;
What is wounded, work its cure;
What is parchèd fructify;

8 What is rigid gently bend;
What is frozen warmly tend;
Straighten what goes erringly.

m 9 Fill Thy faithful, who confide
In Thy power to guard and guide,
With Thy sevenfold mystery.

f 10 Here Thy grace and virtue send;
Grant salvation in the end,
And in heaven felicity. AMEN.

139 *'He shall receive of Mine, and shall shew it unto you.'*

mf COME, Holy Ghost, in love
Shed on us from above
Thine own bright ray.
Divinely good Thou art;
Thy sacred gifts impart
To gladden each sad heart:
O come to-day!

mp 2 Come, tenderest Friend, and best,
Our most delightful Guest,
With soothing power:
Rest, which the weary know,
Shade, 'mid the noontide glow,
Peace, when deep griefs o'erflow
Cheer us, this hour.

m 3 Come, Light serene, and still
Our inmost bosoms fill;
Dwell in each breast
We know no dawn but Thine;
Send forth Thy beams Divine,
On our dark souls to shine,
And make us blest.

4 Exalt our low desires;
Extinguish passion's fires;
Heal every wound;
Our stubborn spirits bend;
Our icy coldness end;
Our devious steps attend,
While heavenward bound.

mf 5 Come, all the faithful bless;
Let all who Christ confess
His praise employ;
c Give virtue's rich reward;
Victorious death accord,
And, with our glorious Lord,
Eternal joy. AMEN.

140

'God hath . . given us the spirit . . of power, and of love.'

m SPIRIT of God, that moved of old
Upon the waters' darkened face,
Come, when our faithless hearts are cold,
And stir them with an inward grace.

2 Thou that art power and peace combined,
All highest strength, all purest love,
The rushing of the mighty wind,
The brooding of the gentle dove,

mf 3 Come, give us still Thy powerful aid,
And urge us on, and keep us Thine;
Nor leave the hearts that once were made
Fit temples for Thy grace Divine;

mp 4 Nor let us quench Thy sevenfold light;
But still with softest breathings stir
Our wayward souls, and lead us right,
O Holy Ghost, the Comforter.
AMEN.

141

'The love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost.'

mf COME, Holy Ghost, and through each heart
The fulness of Thy glory pour,
Who with the Son and Father art
One Godhead, blest for evermore.

2 So shall our soul and voice conspire
Thy praise eternal to resound;
So shall Thy love our hearts inspire,
And kindle every heart around.

m 3 Father of mercies, hear our cry;
Hear us, O sole-begotten Son;
Hear us, O Holy Ghost most high,—
One God, while endless ages run.
AMEN.

142

'The Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, He shall testify of Me.'

m COME, Holy Spirit, come;
Let Thy bright beams arise;
Dispel the darkness from our minds,
And open all our eyes.

2 Cheer our desponding hearts,
Thou heavenly Paraclete:
Give us to lie with humble hope
At our Redeemer's feet.

3 Revive our drooping faith;
Our doubts and fears remove;
And kindle in our breasts the flames
Of never-dying love.

mp 4 Convince us of our sin;
c Then lead to Jesus' blood,
And to our wondering view reveal
The secret love of God.

m 5 'T is Thine to cleanse the heart,
To sanctify the soul,
mf To pour fresh life on every part,
And new create the whole.

6 Dwell, therefore, in our hearts;
Our minds from bondage free;
Then shall we know and praise and love
The Father, Son, and Thee.
AMEN.

143

'He . . commanded them that they should . . wait for the promise of the Father.'

m LORD God, the Holy Ghost,
In this accepted hour,
As on the day of Pentecost,
Descend in all Thy power.

2 We meet with one accord
In our appointed place,
And wait the promise of our Lord,
The Spirit of all grace.

mf 3 Like mighty rushing wind
Upon the waves beneath,
Move with one impulse every mind;
One soul, one feeling breathe.

4 The young, the old inspire
With wisdom from above;
And give us hearts and tongues of fire,
To pray and praise and love.

5 Spirit of light, explore
And chase our gloom away,
c With lustre shining more and more
Unto the perfect day. AMEN.

144

'They were all with one accord in one place. . . And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost.'

mp SPIRIT Divine, attend our prayers,
And make this house Thy home;
Descend with all Thy gracious powers;
c O come, great Spirit, come!

m 2 Come as the Light: to us reveal
Our emptiness and woe;
And lead us in those paths of life
Where all the righteous go.

nf 3 Come as the Fire: and purge our hearts
Like sacrificial flame;
Let our whole soul an offering be
To our Redeemer's name.

m 4 Come as the Dew: and sweetly bless
This consecrated hour;
May barrenness rejoice to own
Thy fertilizing power.

5 Come as the Dove: and spread Thy wings,
The wings of peaceful love;
And let Thy Church on earth become
Blest as the Church above.

mf 6 Come as the Wind, with rushing sound
And Pentecostal grace,
That all of woman born may see
The glory of Thy face.

7 Spirit Divine, attend our prayers;
Make a lost world Thy home;
Descend with all Thy gracious powers;
O come, great Spirit, come!
AMEN.

145

'Holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.'

mp COME, Holy Ghost, our hearts inspire;
Let us Thine influence prove,
Source of the old prophetic fire,
Fountain of life and love.

m 2 Come, Holy Ghost, for moved by Thee
Thy prophets wrote and spoke;
Unlock the truth, Thyself the key;
Unseal the sacred book.

3 Expand Thy wings, celestial Dove;
Brood o'er our nature's night;
On our disordered spirits move,
And let there now be light.

mf 4 God through Himself we then shall know
If Thou within us shine,
And sound, with all Thy saints below,
The depths of love Divine. AMEN.

146

'Come . . O breath, and breathe upon these . . that they may live.'

m BREATHE on me, Breath of God;
Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what Thou dost love,
And do what Thou wouldst do.

2 Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Until my heart is pure,
Until with Thee I will one will,
To do and to endure.

3 Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Till I am wholly Thine,
Until this earthly part of me
Glows with Thy fire Divine.

4 Breathe on me, Breath of God;
mf So shall I never die,
But live with Thee the perfect life
Of Thine eternity. AMEN.

147

'The Spirit helpeth our infirmities . . the Spirit Himself maketh intercession for us.'

mp COME to our poor nature's night
With Thy blessèd inward light,
Holy Ghost the Infinite,
Comforter Divine.

p 2 We are sinful,—cleanse us, Lord;
Sick and faint,—Thy strength afford;
Lost, until by Thee restored,
Comforter Divine.

m 3 Like the dew Thy peace distil;
Guide, subdue our wayward will,
Things of Christ unfolding still,
Comforter Divine.

mp 4 Gentle, awful, holy Guest,
Make Thy temple in each breast;
There Thy presence be confessed,
Comforter Divine.

5 With us, for us intercede,
And, with voiceless groanings, plead
Our unutterable need,
Comforter Divine.

6 In us 'Abba, Father!' cry,
Earnest of the bliss on high,
Seal of immortality,
Comforter Divine.

f 7 Search for us the depths of God;
Upwards, by the starry road,
Bear us to Thy high abode,
Comforter Divine. AMEN.

148

'The Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost.'

mf TO Thee, O Comforter Divine,
For all Thy grace and power benign,
Sing we Hallelujah!

2 To Thee, whose faithful love had place
In God's great covenant of grace,
Sing we Hallelujah!

3 To Thee, whose faithful voice doth win
The wandering from the ways of sin,
Sing we Hallelujah!

4 To Thee, whose faithful power doth heal,
Enlighten, sanctify, and seal,
Sing we Hallelujah!

5 To Thee, whose faithful truth is shown
By every promise made our own,
Sing we Hallelujah!

6 To Thee, our Teacher and our Friend,
Our faithful Leader to the end,
Sing we Hallelujah!

7 To Thee, by Jesus Christ sent down,
Of all His gifts the sum and crown,
Sing we Hallelujah!

8 To Thee, who art with God the Son
And God the Father ever one,
Sing we Hallelujah! AMEN.

149

'I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you for ever.'

m SPIRIT blest, who art adored
With the Father and the Word
One eternal God and Lord,
Hear us, Holy Spirit.

2 Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove,
Dew descending from above,
Breath of life, and Fire of love,
Hear us, Holy Spirit.

3 Spirit, guiding us aright,
Spirit, making darkness light,
Spirit of resistless might,
Hear us, Holy Spirit.

4 Thou whom Jesus from His throne
Gave to cheer and help His own,
That they might not be alone,
Hear us, Holy Spirit.

5 All our evil passions kill;
Bend aright our stubborn will;
Though we grieve Thee, patient still,
Hear us, Holy Spirit.

6 Come, to raise us when we fall;
And, when snares our souls enthral,
Lead us back with gentle call:
Hear us, Holy Spirit.

7 Come, to strengthen all the weak;
Give Thy courage to the meek;
Teach our faltering tongues to speak:
Hear us, Holy Spirit.

8 Come, to aid the souls who yearn
More of truth Divine to learn,
And with deeper love to burn:
Hear us, Holy Spirit.

9 Keep us in the narrow way;
Warn us when we go astray;
Plead within us when we pray:
Hear us, Holy Spirit.

mf 10 Holy, loving, as Thou art,
All Thy sevenfold gifts impart;
Nevermore from us depart:
Hear us, Holy Spirit. AMEN.

150

'I will pour out My Spirit upon all flesh.'

m O SPIRIT of the living God,
In all Thy plenitude of grace,
Where'er the foot of man hath trod,
Descend on our apostate race.

2 Give tongues of fire and hearts of love,
To preach the reconciling word;
Give power and unction from above,
Whene'er the joyful sound is heard.

3 Be darkness, at Thy coming, light;
Confusion order, in Thy path;
Souls without strength inspire with might;
Bid mercy triumph over wrath.

4 O Spirit of the Lord, prepare
All the round earth her God to meet;
Breathe Thou abroad like morning air
Till hearts of stone begin to beat.

f 5 Baptize the nations; far and nigh
The triumphs of the cross record;
The name of Jesus glorify,
Till every kindred call Him Lord.
AMEN.

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THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

151

'The entrance of Thy words giveth light.'

m THE Spirit breathes upon the word,
And brings the truth to sight;
Precepts and promises afford
A sanctifying light.

f 2 A glory gilds the sacred page,
Majestic, like the sun:
It gives a light to every age;
It gives, but borrows none.

m 3 The hand that gave it still supplies
The gracious light and heat;
His truths upon the nations rise;
They rise, but never set.

f 4 Let everlasting thanks be Thine
For such a bright display
As makes a world of darkness shine
With beams of heavenly day.

5 My soul rejoices to pursue
The steps of Him I love,
Till glory breaks upon my view
In brighter worlds above. AMEN.

152

'Ye shine as lights in the world; holding forth the word of life.'

m O WORD of God incarnate,
O Wisdom from on high,
O Truth unchanged, unchanging,
O Light of our dark sky,

mf We praise Thee for the radiance
That from the hallowed page,
A lantern to our footsteps,
Shines on from age to age.

2 The Church from her dear Master
Received the gift Divine,
And still that light she lifteth,
O'er all the earth to shine;
It is the golden casket
Where gems of truth are stored;
It is the heaven-drawn picture
Of Christ, the living Word;

3 It floateth like a banner
Before God's host unfurled;
It shineth like a beacon,
Above the darkling world;
It is the chart and compass
That, o'er life's surging sea,
'Mid mists and rocks and quicksands,
Still guides, O Christ, to Thee.

f 4 O make Thy Church, dear Saviour,
A lamp of purest gold,
To bear before the nations
Thy true light, as of old;
O teach Thy wandering pilgrims
By this their path to trace,
c Till, clouds and darkness ended,
They see Thee face to face.
AMEN.

153

'The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple.'

m LORD, Thy word abideth,
And our footsteps guideth;
Who its truth believeth
Light and joy receiveth.

2 When our foes are near us,
Then Thy word doth cheer us,
Word of consolation,
Message of salvation.

mp 3 When the storms are o'er us,
And dark clouds before us,
m Then its light directeth,
And our way protecteth.

mf 4 Who can tell the pleasure,
Who recount the treasure,
By Thy word imparted
To the simple-hearted?

5 Word of mercy, giving
Succour to the living;
mp Word of life, supplying
Comfort to the dying!

6 O that we, discerning
Its most holy learning,
Lord, may love and fear Thee,
Evermore be near Thee! AMEN.

154

'The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes.'

HOLY Father, Thou hast given
Holy truth from highest heaven;
Words of counsel wise and pure,
Words of promise bright and sure;
Light that guides us back to Thee,
Back to peace and purity.

2 Clearer than the sun at noon,
Fairer than the silver moon,
Through the clouds and through the night
Shineth aye this heavenly light;
Help us, Lord, to lift our eyes,
Take its guidance, and be wise.

3 Here the wisdom from above,
Beaming holiness and love,
Stirring hope, dispelling fear,
Shines to save; for Christ is here:
Knowing, trusting Him, we come
From our wanderings gladly home.

mf 4 Blessèd Saviour, Light Divine,
Thou hast bid us rise and shine;
Grant Thy grace, and we shall be
Children of the day in Thee,
Showing all around the road
Back to life, and love, and God.
AMEN.

155

'Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.'

m LAMP of our feet, whereby we trace
Our path when wont to stray;
Stream from the fount of heavenly grace,
Brook by the traveller's way;

2 Bread of our souls, whereon we feed,
True manna from on high;
Our guide and chart, wherein we read
Of realms beyond the sky;

3 Pillar of fire through watches dark,
Or radiant cloud by day;
When waves would whelm our tossing barque,
Our anchor and our stay;

mf 4 Word of the ever-living God,
Will of His glorious Son,—
Without thee how could earth be trod,
Or heaven itself be won?

m 5 Lord, grant that we aright may learn
The wisdom it imparts,
And to its heavenly teaching turn
With simple, childlike hearts.
AMEN.

THE GOSPEL

156

He hath sent Me .. to preach the acceptable year of the Lord.'

mf BLOW ye the trumpet, blow!
The gladly solemn sound
Let all the nations know,
To earth's remotest bound:
f The year of Jubilee is come;
Return, ye ransomed sinners, home.

m 2 Jesus, our great High Priest,
Hath full atonement made;
Ye weary spirits, rest;
Ye mourn'ful souls, be glad:
f The year of Jubilee is come;
Return, ye ransomed sinners, home.

mf 3 Extol the Lamb of God,
The all-atoning Lamb;
Redemption in His blood
Throughout the world proclaim:
f The year of Jubilee is come;
Return, ye ransomed sinners, home.

m 4 Ye slaves of sin and hell,
Your liberty receive,
And safe in Jesus dwell,
And blest in Jesus live:
f The year of Jubilee is come;
Return, ye ransomed sinners, home.

m 5 Ye, who have sold for nought
Your heritage above,
Shall have it back unbought,
The gift of Jesus' love:
f The year of Jubilee is come;
Return, ye ransomed sinners, home.

m 6 The gospel trumpet hear,
The news of heavenly grace;
And, saved from earth, appear
Before your Saviour's face:
f The year of Jubilee is come;
Return to your eternal home.
AMEN.

157

'Behold, I stand at the door, and knock.'

mp BEHOLD a Stranger at the door!
He gently knocks, has knocked before,
Has waited long, is waiting still:
p You treat no other friend so ill.

m 2 O lovely attitude! He stands
With melting heart and laden hands;
c O matchless kindness! and He shows
This matchless kindness to His foes.

mf 3 Admit Him, for the human breast
Ne'er entertained so kind a Guest;
No mortal tongue their joys can tell
With whom He condescends to dwell.

mp 4 Admit Him ere His anger burn,
Lest He depart and ne'er return;
Admit Him, or the hour 's at hand
When at His door denied you 'll stand.

m 5 Yet know, nor of the terms complain,
If Jesus comes, He comes to reign,—
To reign, and with no partial sway;
Thoughts must be slain that disobey.

mf 6 Sovereign of souls, Thou Prince of Peace,
O may Thy gentle reign increase:
f Throw wide the door, each willing mind;
And be His empire all mankind.
AMEN.

158

'Come unto Me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.'

mp 'COME unto Me, ye weary,
And I will give you rest.'
m O blessèd voice of Jesus,
Which comes to hearts oppressed!
mf It tells of benediction,
Of pardon, grace, and peace,
Of joy that hath no ending,
Of love that cannot cease.

mp 2 'Come unto Me, ye wanderers,
And I will give you light.'
m O loving voice of Jesus,
Which comes to cheer the night!
Our hearts were filled with sadness,
And we had lost our way;
mf But morning brings us gladness,
And songs the break of day.

p 3 'Come unto Me, ye fainting,
And I will give you life.'
m O cheering voice of Jesus,
Which comes to aid our strife!
The foe is stern and eager,
The fight is fierce and long;
mf But Thou hast made us mighty,
And stronger than the strong.

m 4 'And whosoever cometh
I will not cast him out.'
mf O welcome voice of Jesus,
Which drives away our doubt,
Which calls us, very sinners,
Unworthy though we be
c Of love so free and boundless,
To come, dear Lord, to Thee!
AMEN.

159

'Him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out.'

mp 'ART thou weary, art thou languid,
Art thou sore distressed?
m "Come to Me," saith One, "and, coming,
Be at rest."'

2 'Hath He marks to lead me to Him
If He be my Guide?'
p 'In His feet and hands are wound-prints,
And His side!'

m 3 'Is there diadem, as Monarch,
That His brow adorns?'
mp 'Yea, a crown in very surety,
p But of thorns!'

m 4 'If I find Him, if I follow,
What His guerdon here?'
mp 'Many a sorrow, many a labour,
Many a tear!'

m 5 'If I still hold closely to Him,
What hath He at last?'
mf 'Sorrow vanquished, labour ended,
Jordan passed!'

m 6 'If I ask Him to receive me,
Will He say me nay?'
mf 'Not till earth and not till heaven
Pass away!'

n 7 'Finding, following, keeping, struggling,
Is He sure to bless?
f 'Angels, martyrs, saints, and prophets
Answer, "Yes!"' AMEN.

160

'Mighty to save.'

mf THE King of Glory standeth
Beside that heart of sin;
His mighty voice commandeth
The raging waves within;
The floods of deepest anguish
Roll backward at His will,
As o'er the storm ariseth
His mandate, 'Peace, be still.'

2 At times, with sudden glory,
He speaks, and all is done;
Without one stroke of battle
The victory is won,
While we, with joy beholding,
Can scarce believe it true
That even our kingly Jesus
Can form such hearts anew.

n 3 He comes in blood-stained garments,
Upon His brow a crown;
The gates of brass fly open;
The iron bands drop down;
From off the fettered captive
The chains of Satan fall,
mf While angels shout triumphant
That Christ is Lord of all.

mp 4 But sometimes, in the stillness,
He gently draweth near,
And whispers words of welcome
Into the sinner's ear,
With anxious heart awaiteth
The answer to His cry,
The oft-repeated question,
'O wherefore wilt thou die?'

f 5 O Christ, Thy love is mighty;
Long-suffering is Thy grace;
And glorious is the splendour
That beameth from Thy face.
Our hearts up-leap in gladness
When we behold that love,
As we go singing onward,
To dwell with Thee above. AMEN.

161

'If any man hear My voice, and open the door, I will come in to him.'

mp O JESUS, Thou art standing
Outside the fast-closed door,
In lowly patience waiting
To pass the threshold o'er.

mf Shame on us, Christian brothers,
His name and sign who bear,
O shame, thrice shame upon us,
To keep Him standing there!

mp 2 O Jesus, Thou art knocking;
p And, lo! that hand is scarred,
And thorns Thy brow encircle,
And tears Thy face have marred.
m O love that passeth knowledge,
So patiently to wait!
O sin that hath no equal,
So fast to bar the gate!

mp 3 O Jesus, Thou art pleading
In accents meek and low,
p 'I died for you, My children,
And will ye treat Me so?'
mp O Lord, with shame and sorrow
We open now the door;
mf Dear Saviour, enter, enter
And leave us nevermore. AMEN.

162

'My yoke is easy, and My burden is light.'

mp COME, ye souls by sin afflicted,
Bowed with fruitless sorrow down,
By the broken law convicted,
Through the cross behold the crown;
mf Look to Jesus;
Mercy flows through Him alone.

m 2 Take His easy yoke and wear it;
Love will make obedience sweet;
Christ will give you strength to bear it,
c While His wisdom guides your feet
Safe to glory,
Where His ransomed captives meet.

m 3 Sweet as home to pilgrims weary,
Light to newly opened eyes,
Or full springs in deserts dreary
Is the rest the cross supplies;
All who taste it
Shall to rest immortal rise.

f 4 Blessèd are the eyes that see Him,
Blest the ears that hear His voice;
Blessèd are the souls that trust Him
And in Him alone rejoice;
His commandments
Then become their happy choice.
AMEN.

163

'Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by? behold, and see if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow.'

mp ALL ye that pass by,
To Jesus draw nigh:
To you is it nothing that Jesus should die?
m Your ransom and peace,
Your surety He is;
p Come, see if there ever was sorrow like His.

mp 2 For what you have done
His blood must atone;
The Father hath given for you His dear Son.
p The Lord in the day
Of His anger did lay
Your sins on the Lamb, (*c*) and He bore them away.

mp 3 He dies to atone
For sins not His own;
m Your debt He hath paid, and your work He hath done.
Ye all may receive
The peace He did leave
Who made intercession, (*p*) 'My Father, forgive.'

mf 4 He purchased the grace
Which now I embrace;
O Father, Thou know'st He hath died in my place:
His death is my plea;
My Advocate see,
And hear the blood speak that hath answered for me. AMEN.

164

'I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.'

mp COME, ye sinners, poor and wretched,
Weak and wounded, sick and sore;
c Jesus ready stands to save you,
Full of pity joined with power:
f He is able,
He is willing; doubt no more.

mf 2 Ho! ye needy, come and welcome;
God's free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance,
Every grace that brings us nigh,
Without money
Come to Jesus Christ and buy.

m 3 Let not conscience make you linger
Nor of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness He requireth
Is to feel your need of Him:
This He gives you;
'T is the Spirit's rising beam.

4 Come, ye weary, heavy laden,
Lost and ruined by the fall:
If you tarry till you 're better,
You will never come at all:
mf Not the righteous—
Sinners Jesus came to call.

p 5 Agonizing in the garden,
Lo! your Saviour prostrate lies;
Bleeding on the tree behold Him!
c Hear Him cry, before He dies,
'It is finished!'
m Sinner, will not this suffice?

mf 6 Lo! the incarnate God, ascended,
Pleads the merit of His blood;
c Venture on Him, venture wholly;
Let no other trust intrude:
f None but Jesus
Can do helpless sinners good.
AMEN.

165

'God is love.'

m SOULS of men, why will ye scatter
Like a crowd of frightened sheep?
Foolish hearts, why will ye wander
From a love so true and deep?
Was there ever kindest shepherd
Half so gentle, half so swect
As the Saviour who would have us
Come and gather round His feet?

mf 2 It is God; His love looks mighty,
But is mightier than it seems:
'T is our Father; and His fondness
Goes far out beyond our dreams.
There 's a wideness in God's mercy
Like the wideness of the sea;
There 's a kindness in His justice
Which is more than liberty.

m 3 There is no place where earth's sorrows
Are more felt than up in heaven;
There is no place where earth's failings
Have such kindly judgment given.
There is welcome for the sinner,
And more graces for the good;
There is mercy with the Saviour;
There is healing in His blood.

4 There is grace enough for thousands
Of new worlds as great as this;
There is room for fresh creations
In that upper home of bliss.
vf For the love of God is broader
Than the measures of man's mind,
And the heart of the Eternal
Is most wonderfully kind.

i 5 But we make His love too narrow
By false limits of our own;
And we magnify His strictness
With a zeal He will not own.
vf There is plentiful redemption
In the blood that has been shed;
There is joy for all the members
In the sorrows of the Head.

mp 6 Pining souls, come nearer Jesus;
And O come not doubting thus,
But with faith that trusts more bravely
His huge tenderness for us.
n If our love were but more simple,
We should take Him at His word,
And our lives would be all sunshine
In the sweetness of our Lord.
AMEN.

166

'Let him return unto the Lord, and He will have mercy upon him.'

mp RETURN, O wanderer, to thy home,
Thy Father calls for thee;
No longer now an exile roam
In guilt and misery:
Return, return.

2 Return, O wanderer, to thy home,
'T is Jesus calls for thee:
The Spirit and the Bride say, 'Come';
O now for refuge flee:
Return, return.

3 Return, O wanderer, to thy home,
'T is madness to delay;
p There are no pardons in the tomb,
And brief is mercy's day:
Return, return. AMEN.

167

'Now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.'

mp TO-DAY the Saviour calls:
Ye wanderers, come;
O, ye benighted souls,
Why longer roam?

2 To-day the Saviour calls:
O hear Him now;
Within these sacred walls
To Jesus bow.

3 To-day the Saviour calls:
For refuge fly;
d The storm of vengeance falls,
Ruin is nigh.

p 4 The Spirit calls to-day:
Yield to His power;
O grieve Him not away;
'T is mercy's hour. AMEN.

168

'Rejoice with me; for I have found my sheep which was lost.'

m THERE were ninety and nine that safely lay
In the shelter of the fold;
mp But one was out on the hills away,
Far off from the gates of gold,
d Away on the mountains wild and bare,
Away from the tender Shepherd's care.

m 2 'Lord, Thou hast here Thy ninety and nine;
Are they not enough for Thee?'
But the Shepherd made answer,
(*mp*) 'This of Mine
Has wandered away from Me;
And, although the road be rough and steep,
I go to the desert to find My sheep.'

p 3 But none of the ransomed ever knew
How deep were the waters crossed,
Nor how dark was the night that the Lord passed through,
Ere He found His sheep that was lost.
d Out in the desert He heard its cry,
Sick and helpless and ready to die.

mp 4 'Lord, whence are those blood-drops all the way,
That mark out the mountain's track?'
p 'They were shed for one who had gone astray,
Ere the Shepherd could bring him back.'
mp 'Lord, whence are Thy hands so rent and torn?'
p 'They are pierced to-night by many a thorn.'

mf 5 And all through the mountains, thunder-riven,
And up from the rocky steep,
There rose a cry to the gate of heaven.
f 'Rejoice, I have found My sheep!'
And the angels echoed around the throne,
'Rejoice, for the Lord brings back His own!' AMEN.

169

'Thou shalt call His name JESUS: for He shall save His people from their sins.'

f O FOR a thousand tongues, to sing
My great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of His grace!

mf 2 My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
c To spread through all the earth abroad
The honours of Thy name.

m 3 Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease,
'T is music in the sinner's ears,
'T is life and health and peace.

mf 4 He breaks the power of cancelled sin,
He sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean,
His blood availed for me.

5 He speaks, and, listening to His voice,
New life the dead receive,
The mournful broken hearts rejoice,
The humble poor believe.

f 6 Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb,
Your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Saviour come;
And leap, ye lame, for joy.

ff 7 Glory to God, and praise, and love
Be ever, ever given
By saints below and saints above,
The Church in earth and heaven.
AMEN.

170

'We would see Jesus.'

m TELL me the old, old story
Of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and His glory,
Of Jesus and His love.

mp 2 Tell me the story simply,
As to a little child;
For I am weak and weary,
And helpless, and defiled.

m 3 Tell me the story slowly,
That I may take it in,—
That wonderful redemption,
God's remedy for sin.

4 Tell me the story often,
For I forget so soon;
d The early dew of morning
Has passed away at noon.

p 5 Tell me the story softly,
With earnest tones and grave;
Remember, I'm the sinner
Whom Jesus came to save.

m 6 Tell me the story always,
If you would really be,
In any time of trouble,
A comforter to me.

7 Tell me the same old story
When you have cause to fear
That this world's empty glory
Is costing me too dear.

8 Yes, and, when that world's glory
Shall dawn upon my soul,
Tell me the old, old story,
mf 'Christ Jesus makes thee whole.'
AMEN.

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171

'By His own blood He entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.'

n NOT all the blood of beasts,
On Jewish altars slain,
Could give the guilty conscience peace,
Or wash away the stain.

2 But Christ, the heavenly Lamb,
Takes all our sins away,
p A sacrifice of nobler name
And richer blood than they.

mp 3 My faith would lay her hand
On that dear head of Thine,
While like a penitent I stand,
And there confess my sin.

4 My soul looks back to see
The burdens Thou didst bear
When hanging on the cursèd tree,
And hopes her guilt was there.

m 5 Believing, we rejoice
To see the curse remove;
f We bless the Lamb with cheerful voice,
And sing His bleeding love.
AMEN.

172

'Incline your ear, and come unto Me: hear, and your soul shall live.'

mp I HEARD the voice of Jesus say,
p 'Come unto Me and rest;
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down
Thy head upon My breast':
mp I came to Jesus as I was,
Weary, and worn, and sad;
c I found in Him a resting-place,
And He has made me glad.

m 2 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'Behold, I freely give
The living water; thirsty one,
Stoop down and drink, and live':
mf I came to Jesus, and I drank
Of that life-giving stream;
c My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
And now I live in Him.

m 3 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'I am this dark world's Light;
c Look unto Me, thy morn shall rise,
And all thy day be bright':
f I looked to Jesus, and I found
In Him my Star, my Sun;
And in that light of life I'll walk
Till travelling days are done.
AMEN.

173

'Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us.'

mp NOT what these hands have done
Can save this guilty soul;
Not what this toiling flesh has borne
Can make my spirit whole.

2 Not what I feel or do
Can give me peace with God;
Not all my prayers and sighs and tears
Can bear my awful load.

m 3 Thy work alone, O Christ,
Can ease this weight of sin;
Thy blood alone, O Lamb of God,
Can give me peace within.

4 Thy love to me, O God,
Not mine, O Lord, to Thee,
Can rid me of this dark unrest,
And set my spirit free.

5 Thy grace alone, O God,
To me can pardon speak;
Thy power alone, O Son of God,
Can this sore bondage break.

mf 6 I bless the Christ of God;
I rest on love Divine;
And, with unfaltering lip and heart,
I call this Saviour mine. AMEN.

174

'A fountain . . for sin and for uncleanness.'

m THERE is a fountain filled with blood
Drawn from Immanuel's veins;
And sinners, plunged beneath that flood,
Lose all their guilty stains.

2 The dying thief rejoiced to see
That fountain in his day;
And there have I, as vile as he,
Washed all my sins away.

mf 3 Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood
Shall never lose its power
c Till all the ransomed Church of God
Be saved, to sin no more.

m 4 E'er since, by faith, I saw the stream
Thy flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme,
And shall be till I die.

f 5 Then, in a nobler, sweeter song,
I'll sing Thy power to save,
d When this poor lisping, stammering tongue
Lies silent in the grave.

mf 6 Lord, I believe Thou hast prepared,
Unworthy though I be,
For me a blood-bought free reward,
A golden harp for me;

f 7 'T is strung and tuned for endless years,
And formed, by power Divine,
To sound in God the Father's ears
No other name but Thine. AMEN.

175

'Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.'

p JUST as I am, without one plea
But that Thy blood was shed for me,
And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee,
O Lamb of God, I come.

2 Just as I am, and waiting not
To rid my soul of one dark blot,
To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,
O Lamb of God, I come.

3 Just as I am, though tossed about
With many a conflict, many a doubt
Fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come.

4 Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
c Sight, riches, healing of the mind,
Yea, all I need, in Thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come.

m 5 Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because Thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come.

6 Just as I am—Thy love unknown
Has broken every barrier down—
mf Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come.

7 Just as I am, of that free love
The breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,
Here for a season, then above,
O Lamb of God, I come. AMEN.

176

'I say unto thee, Her sins, which are many, are forgiven.'

mp WEARY of earth and laden with my sin,
I look at heaven and long to enter in;
But there no evil thing may find a home,
m And yet I hear a voice that bids me come.

p 2 So vile I am, how dare I hope to stand
In the pure glory of that holy land,
Before the whiteness of that throne appear?
m Yet there are hands stretched out to draw me near.

mp 3 The while I fain would tread the heavenly way,
Evil is ever with me day by day;
m Yet on mine ears the gracious tidings fall,
'Repent, confess, thou shalt be loosed from all.'

mf 4 It is the voice of Jesus that I hear;
His are the hands stretched out to draw me near,
And His the blood that can for all atone,
And set me faultless there before the throne.

5 'T was He who found me on the deathly wild,
And made me heir of heaven, the Father's child,
And day by day, whereby my soul may live,
Gives me His grace of pardon, and will give.

p 6 O great Absolver, grant my soul may wear
The lowliest garb of penitence and prayer,
That in the Father's courts my glorious dress
May be the garment of Thy righteousness.

f 7 Yea, Thou wilt answer for me, righteous Lord;
Thine all the merits, mine the great reward
mp Thine the sharp thorns, and mine the golden crown
Mine the life won, and Thine the life laid down.

8 Nought can I bring, dear Lord, for all I owe,
a Yet let my full heart what it can bestow
Like ointment sweet, let my devotion prove,
Forgiven greatly, how I greatly love.
AMEN.

177

'Behold, we come unto Thee; for Thou art the Lord our God.'

mp DEAR Lord, I now respond to Thy sweet call,
'Come unto Me';
n c I find my joy, my peace, my all in all,
My heaven, in Thee.
mp Too long I disobeyed Thy law, too long
I slighted Thee,
Too long I heeded not Thy voice, but now
I come to Thee.

2 I come with all my sins, with all my fears
I come to Thee;
With all my doubts, my burdens, weaknesses,
I come to Thee.
m Thy precious blood hath cleansed me white, Thy blood
Was shed for me;
Thy death my life, Thy cross my plea, O Lord,
I come to Thee.

3 Sustain me, Jesus, by Thy mighty power;
Abide with me;
O make Thy word a lamp to light the path
That leads to Thee.
mp And, when I've stemmed the stormy waves, and crossed
Life's troubled sea,
c I'll see and know Thee as Thou art, and rest
In peace with Thee. AMEN.

178

'I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely.'

mp WEARY of wandering from my God,
And now made willing to return,
I hear, and bow me to the rod;
For Him, not without hope, I mourn;
mf I have an Advocate above,
A Friend before the throne of love.

mp 2 O Jesus, full of pardoning grace,
More full of grace than I of sin,
Yet once again I seek Thy face;
c Open Thine arms and take me in,
And freely my backslidings heal,
And love the faithless sinner still.

m 3 Thou know'st the way to bring me back,
My fallen spirit to restore;
O, for Thy truth and mercy's sake,
Forgive, and bid me sin no more;
The ruins of my soul repair,
And make my heart a house of prayer.

mp 4 Ah! give me, Lord, the tender heart
That trembles at the approach of sin;
A godly fear of sin impart,
Implant, and root it deep within,
That I may dread Thy gracious power,
And never dare offend Thee more.
AMEN.

179

'A broken and a contrite heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise.'

mp THERE is a holy sacrifice
Which God in heaven will not despise,
Yea, which is precious in His eyes,
The contrite heart.

m 2 That lofty One, before whose throne
The countless hosts of heaven bow down,
Another dwelling-place will own,
The contrite heart.

3 The Holy One, the Son of God,
His pardoning love will shed abroad,
And consecrate as His abode
The contrite heart.

4 The Holy Spirit from on high
Will listen to its faintest cry,
And cheer and bless and purify
The contrite heart.

mp 5 Saviour, I cast my hopes on Thee;
Such as Thou art, I fain would be;
In mercy, Lord, bestow on me
The contrite heart.
AMEN.

180

'The Lord is very pitiful, and of tender mercy.'

mp SHOW pity, Lord:
For we are frail and faint;
p We fade away;
O list to our complaint!
We fade away
Like flowers in the sun;
We just begin,
And then our work is done.

mp 2 Show pity, Lord:
Our souls are sore distressed;
As troubled seas,
Our natures have no rest;
As troubled seas
That, surging, beat the shore,
We throb and heave
Ever and evermore.

3 Show pity, Lord:
Our grief is in our sin;
m We would be cleansed;
O make us pure within!
We would be cleansed;
For this we cry to Thee;
mf Thy word of love
Can make the conscience free,

mp 4 Show pity, Lord:
Inspire our hearts with love,—
That holy love
Which draws the soul above,
mf That holy love
Which makes us one with Thee,
And with Thy saints,
Through all eternity. AMEN.

181

'Good and upright is the Lord: therefore will He teach sinners in the way.'

mp JESUS, we are far away
From the light of heavenly day
Lost in paths of sin we stray:
p Lord, in mercy hear us.

2 Help us to bewail our sin,
And, in heavenly strength, begin
Daily victories to win:
Lord, in mercy hear us.

3 Keep us lowly, that we may,
Ever watchful, turn away
From the snares our tempters lay:
Lord, in mercy hear us.

4 On our darkness shed Thy light;
Lead our wills to what is right;
Wash our evil nature white:
Lord, in mercy hear us.

5 May Thy wisdom be our guide,
Comfort, rest, and peace provide
Near to Thy protecting side:
Lord, in mercy hear us.

6 When oppressed with trouble sore
Teach our hearts to feel the more
For the pangs our Saviour bore:
Lord, in mercy hear us.

7 May we true devotion feel
To our God, and holy zeal
For our fellow-creatures' weal:
Lord, in mercy hear us.

8 May we selfishness deny,
And the body mortify,
Doing deeds of charity:
Lord, in mercy hear us.

9 Fix our hearts on things on high;
Let no evil thoughts come nigh;
Purge from sin our memory:
Lord, in mercy hear us.

10 May Thy grace within the soul
Nature's waywardness control,
Guiding towards the heavenly goal
Lord, in mercy hear us.
AMEN

182

'God be merciful unto us, and bless us; and cause His face to shine upon us.'

mp O LORD, turn not Thy face away
From them that lowly lie,
Lamenting sore their sinful life
With tears and bitter cry.

m 2 Thy mercy-gates are open wide
To them that mourn their sin:
O shut them not against us, Lord,
But let us enter in.

3 We need not to confess our fault;
For surely Thou canst tell
What we have done, and what we are
Thou knowest very well;

p 4 Wherefore, to beg and to entreat,
With tears we come to Thee,
As children that have done amiss
Fall at their father's knee.

mp 5 And need we then, O Lord, repeat
The blessing which we crave,
When Thou dost know, before we speak,
The thing that we would have?

m 6 Mercy, O Lord, mercy we seek;
This is the total sum;
For mercy, Lord, is all our prayer;
c O let Thy mercy come. AMEN.

183

'Make haste to help me, O Lord my salvation.'

p LORD, in this Thy mercy's day,
Ere it pass for aye away,
On our knees we fall and pray.

2 Holy Jesus, grant us tears,
Fill us with heart-searching fears,
Ere that awful doom appears.

3 Lord, on us Thy Spirit pour,
Kneeling lowly at the door,
pp Ere it close for evermore.

p 4 By Thy night of agony,
By Thy supplicating cry,
By Thy willingness to die,

5 By Thy tears of bitter woe
For Jerusalem below,
Let us not Thy love forego.

6 Grant us 'neath Thy wings a place,
Lest we lose this day of grace
Ere we shall behold Thy face. AMEN.

184

'Out of the depths have I cried unto Thee, O Lord.'

mp FROM depths of woe I raise to Thee
The voice of lamentation;
Lord, turn a gracious ear to me,
And hear my supplication:
If Thou shouldst be extreme to mark
Each secret sin and misdeed dark,
p O who could stand before Thee?

m 2 To wash away the crimson stain,
Grace, grace alone availeth;
Our works, alas! are all in vain;
In much the best life faileth:
No man can glory in Thy sight,
All must alike confess Thy might,
And live alone by mercy.

mf 3 Therefore my trust is in the Lord,
And not in mine own merit;
On Him my soul shall rest, His word
Upholds my fainting spirit:
His promised mercy is my fort,
My comfort and my sweet support;
I wait for it with patience.

m 4 What though I wait the livelong night,
And till the dawn appeareth,
mf My heart still trusteth in His might;
It doubteth not, nor feareth:
So let the Israelite in heart,
Born of the Spirit, do his part,
And wait till God appeareth.

5 Although our sin is great indeed,
God's mercies far exceed it;
His hand can give the help we need,
However much we need it:
He is the Shepherd of the sheep
Who Israel doth guard and keep,
And shall from sin redeem him.
AMEN.

185

'God be merciful to me a sinner.'

mp SINFUL, sighing to be blest;
Bound, and longing to be free;
Weary, waiting for my rest,—
p God be merciful to me!

mp 2 Goodness I have none to plead,
Sinfulness in all I see;
I can only bring my need:
p God be merciful to me!

mp 3 Broken heart and downcast eyes
Dare not lift themselves to Thee;
Yet Thou canst interpret sighs:
p God be merciful to me!

m 4 From this sinful heart of mine
To Thy bosom I would flee;
I am not my own, but Thine:
p God be merciful to me!

mf 5 There is One beside Thy throne,
And my only hope and plea
Are in Him, and Him alone:
p God be merciful to me!

mf 6 He my cause will undertake,
My Interpreter will be;
He's my all; and for His sake
mp God be merciful to me! AMEN.

186

'O Lord, I am oppressed; undertake for me.'

mp OPPRESSED with sin and woe,
A burdened heart I bear;
Opposed by many a mighty foe,
m But I will not despair.

2 With this polluted heart
I dare to come to Thee,
Holy and mighty as Thou art,
For Thou wilt pardon me.

mp 3 I feel that I am weak,
And prone to every sin,
c But Thou who giv'st to those who seek
Wilt give me strength within.

m 4 Far as this earth may be
From yonder starry skies,
Remoter still am I from Thee,
Yet Thou wilt not despise.

5 I need not fear my foes,
I need not yield to care,
I need not sink beneath my woes,
For Thou wilt answer prayer.

mf 6 In my Redeemer's name
I give myself to Thee;
And, all unworthy as I am,
My God will cherish me. AMEN.

187

'I will arise and go to my father.'

m TAKE me, O my Father, take me!
Take me, save me, through Thy Son;
That which Thou wouldst have me make me;
Let Thy will in me be done.

mp 2 Long from Thee my footsteps straying,
Thorny proved the way I trod;
Weary come I now, and praying,
'Take me to Thy love, my God.'

3 Fruitless years with grief recalling,
Humbly I confess my sin;
At Thy feet, O Father, falling,
To Thy household take me in.

m 4 Freely now to Thee I proffer
This relenting heart of mine;
Freely life and soul I offer,
Gift unworthy love like Thine.

5 Father, take me! all forgiving,
Fold me to Thy loving breast;
mf In Thy love for ever living,
I must be for ever blest. AMEN.

188

'Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.'

mp THOU who didst on Calvary bleed,
Thou who dost for sinners plead,
Help me in my time of need;
Jesus, hear my cry.

2 In my darkness and my grief,
With my heart of unbelief,
I, who am of sinners chief,
Lift to Thee mine eye.

3 Foes without and fears within,
With no plea Thy grace to win
But that Thou canst save from sin,
To Thy cross I fly.

m 4 Others, long in fetters bound,
There deliverance sought and found
Heard the voice of mercy sound;
c Surely so may I.

mp 5 There on Thee I cast my care;
There to Thee I raise my prayer;
Jesus, save me from despair,—
Save me, or I die.

6 When the storms of trial lower,
When I feel temptation's power,
p In the last and darkest hour,
c Jesus, be Thou nigh. AMEN.

189

'O visit me with Thy salvation.'

m LORD, I hear of showers of blessing
Thou art scattering, full and free,—
Showers, the thirsty land refreshing
Let some drops descend on me,
Even me.

mp 2 Pass me not, O gracious Father,
Sinful though my heart may be!
Thou mightst leave me, but the rather
Let Thy mercy light on me,
Even me.

3 Pass me not, O tender Saviour!
Let me love and cling to Thee;
I am longing for Thy favour;
When Thou comest call for me,
Even me.

4 Pass me not, O mighty Spirit!
Thou canst make the blind to see;
Witnesser of Jesus' merit,
Speak the word of power to me,
Even me.

5 Have I long in sin been sleeping,
Long been slighting, grieving Thee?
Has the world my heart been keeping?
O forgive and rescue me,
Even me.

mf 6 Love of God, so pure and changeless,
Blood of Christ, so rich and free,
Grace of God, so strong and boundless,—
Magnify them all in me,
Even me. AMEN.

190

'If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.'

m NO! not despairingly
Come I to Thee;
No! not distrustingly
Bend I the knee.
p Sin hath gone over me,
c Yet is this still my plea,
'Jesus hath died.'

p 2 Ah! mine iniquity
Crimson has been,
Infinite, infinite,
Sin upon sin,
Sin of not loving Thee,
Sin of not trusting Thee,
Infinite sin.

3 Lord, I confess to Thee
Sadly my sin;
All I am tell I Thee,
All I have been.
c Purge Thou my sin away;
Wash Thou my soul this day;
Lord, make me clean.

m 4 Faithful and just art Thou,
Forgiving all;
Loving and kind art Thou
When poor ones call:
Lord, let the cleansing blood,
Blood of the Lamb of God,
Pass o'er my soul.

mf 5 Then all is peace and light
This soul within;
Thus shall I walk with Thee,
The loved unseen,
Leaning on Thee, my God,
Guided along the road,
Nothing between. AMEN.

191

'He only is my rock and my salvation.'

m ROCK of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee;
Let the water and the blood,
From Thy riven side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure:
Cleanse me from its guilt and power.

2 Not the labours of my hands
Can fulfil Thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know,
Could my tears for ever flow,
All for sin could not atone:
c Thou must save, and Thou alone.

mp 3 Nothing in my hand I bring,
Simply to Thy cross I cling;
Naked, come to Thee for dress;
Helpless, look to Thee for grace;
Foul, I to the fountain fly;
c Wash me, Saviour, (*d*) or I die.

d 4 While I draw this fleeting breath,
pp When my eyelids close in death,
When I soar through tracts unknown,
See Thee on Thy judgment throne,
c Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee. AMEN.

192

'To me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.'

mf CHRIST, of all my hopes the ground,
Christ, the spring of all my joy,
Still in Thee may I be found,
Still for Thee my powers employ.

2 Let Thy love my heart inflame;
Keep Thy fear before my sight;
Be Thy praise my highest aim;
Be Thy smile my chief delight.

3 Fountain of o'erflowing grace,
Freely from Thy fulness give;
Till I close my earthly race,
May I prove it 'Christ to live.'

f 4 Firmly trusting in Thy blood,
Nothing shall my heart confound;
Safely I shall pass the flood,
Safely reach Immanuel's ground.

mp 5 When I touch the blessèd shore,
Back the closing waves shall roll;
c Death's dark stream shall nevermore
Part from Thee my ravished soul.

m 6 Thus, O thus an entrance give
To the land of cloudless sky;
Having known it 'Christ to live,'
Let me know it 'gain to die,'—

7 Gain to part from all my grief,
Gain to bid my sins farewell,
Gain, of all my gains the chief,
Ever with the Lord to dwell.
AMEN.

193

'A man shall be as an hiding place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest.'

mp JESUS, Lover of my soul,
Let me to Thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll,
While the tempest still is high;
Hide me, O my Saviour, hide,
Till the storm of life is past;
c Safe into the haven guide;
O receive my soul at last!

mp 2 Other refuge have I none;
Hangs my helpless soul on Thee;
Leave, ah! leave me not alone;
Still support and comfort me.
m All my trust on Thee is stayed;
All my help from Thee I bring;
Cover my defenceless head
With the shadow of Thy wing.

mf 3 Thou, O Christ, art all I want;
More than all in Thee I find;
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
Heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is Thy name,
p I am all unrighteousness;
False and full of sin I am,
m Thou art full of truth and grace.

mf 4 Plenteous grace with Thee is found,
Grace to cover all my sin;
Let the healing streams abound;
Make and keep me pure within.

f Thou of life the fountain art,
Freely let me take of Thee;
Spring Thou up within my heart,
Rise to all eternity. AMEN.

194

'Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.'

mp I LAY my sins on Jesus,
The spotless Lamb of God;
He bears them all, and frees us
From the accursèd load.
I bring my guilt to Jesus,
To wash my crimson stains
White in His blood most precious,
Till not a spot remains.

2 I lay my wants on Jesus;
All fulness dwells in Him;
He heals all my diseases,
He doth my soul redeem.
I lay my griefs on Jesus,
My burdens, and my cares;
He from them all releases,
He all my sorrows shares.

3 I rest my soul on Jesus,
This weary soul of mine;
His right hand me embraces,
I on His breast recline.
m I love the name of Jesus,
Immanuel, Christ, the Lord;
Like fragrance on the breezes,
His name abroad is poured.

mp 4 I long to be like Jesus,
Meek, loving, lowly, mild;
I long to be like Jesus,
The Father's Holy Child.
mf I long to be with Jesus,
Amid the heavenly throng,
To sing with saints His praises,
To learn the angels' song. AMEN.

195

'In Thee, O Lord, do I put my trust.'

m JESUS, I will trust Thee!
Trust Thee with my soul,
Guilty, lost, and helpless;
Thou canst make me whole.
There is none in heaven
Or on earth like Thee;
Thou hast died for sinners—
Therefore, Lord, for me.

mf 2 Jesus, I may trust Thee!
Name of matchless worth,
Spoken by the angel
At Thy wondrous birth,

mp Written, and for ever,
On Thy cross of shame:
Sinners read and worship,
Trusting in that name.

m 3 Jesus, I must trust Thee!
Pondering Thy ways,
Full of love and mercy
All Thine earthly days.
Sinners gathered round Thee,
Lepers sought Thy face,
None too vile or loathsome
For a Saviour's grace.

mf 4 Jesus, I do trust Thee!
Trust without a doubt;
Whosoever cometh
Thou wilt not cast out.
Faithful is Thy promise;
Precious is Thy blood;
These my soul's salvation,
Thou my Saviour God! AMEN.

196

'He hath covered me with the robe of righteousness.'

mf JESUS, Thy blood and righteousness
My beauty are, my glorious dress;
'Midst flaming worlds, in these arrayed,
With joy shall I lift up my head.

f 2 Bold shall I stand in Thy great day;
For who aught to my charge shall lay?
Fully, through these, absolved I am
From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.

mp 3 When from the dust of death I rise
To claim my mansion in the skies,
mf Even then, this shall be all my plea,
'Jesus hath lived, hath died for me.'

4 O let the dead now hear Thy voice.
Now bid Thy banished ones rejoice,—
f Their beauty this, their glorious dress,
Jesus, Thy blood and righteousness.
AMEN.

197

'Look unto Me, and be ye saved . . for I am God.'

mf MY faith looks up to Thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Saviour Divine:
p Now hear me while I pray;
Take all my guilt away;
c O let me from this day
Be wholly Thine.

m 2 May Thy rich grace impart
Strength to my fainting heart,
My zeal inspire;
As Thou hast died for me,
c O may my love to Thee
Pure, warm, and changeless be,
A living fire.

p 3 While life's dark maze I tread,
And griefs around me spread,
Be Thou my Guide;
mf Bid darkness turn to day,
Wipe sorrow's tears away,
Nor let me ever stray
From Thee aside.

p 4 When ends life's transient dream,
pp When death's cold, sullen stream
Shall o'er me roll,
c Blest Saviour, then, in love,
Fear and distrust remove;
f O bear me safe above,
A ransomed soul. AMEN.

LOVE AND GRATITUDE

198

'Lovest thou Me?'

mp HARK, my soul! it is the Lord;
'Tis thy Saviour, hear His word;
Jesus speaks, and speaks to thee:
p 'Say, poor sinner, lov'st thou Me?

mp 2 'I delivered thee when bound,
And, when bleeding, healed thy wound;
c Sought thee wandering, set thee right;
Turned thy darkness into light.

mp 3 'Can a woman's tender care
Cease towards the child she bare?
Yes, she may forgetful be,
mf Yet will I remember thee.

4 'Mine is an unchanging love,
Higher than the heights above,
Deeper than the depths beneath,
Free and faithful, strong as death.

5 'Thou shalt see My glory soon,
When the work of grace is done;
Partner of My throne shalt be;
p Say, poor sinner, lov'st thou Me?'

mp 6 Lord, it is my chief complaint
That my love is weak and faint;
c Yet I love Thee, and adore;
O for grace to love Thee more!
AMEN.

199

'Whom having not seen, ye love.'

m JESUS, these eyes have never seen
That radiant form of Thine;
The veil of sense hangs dark between
Thy blessèd face and mine.

2 I see Thee not, I hear Thee not,
Yet art Thou oft with me;
And earth hath ne'er so dear a spot
As where I meet with Thee.

3 Like some bright dream that comes unsought
When slumbers o'er me roll,
Thine image ever fills my thought,
And charms my ravished soul.

4 Yet, though I have not seen, and still
Must rest in faith alone,
c I love Thee, dearest Lord, and will,
Unseen but not unknown.

p 5 When death these mortal eyes shall seal,
And still this throbbing heart,
c The rending veil shall Thee reveal
All glorious as Thou art. AMEN.

200

'Whom have I in heaven but Thee? and there is none upon earth that I desire beside Thee.'

m OBJECT of my first desire,
Jesus crucified for me!
All to happiness aspire,
Only to be found in Thee.

2 Thee to please and Thee to know
Constitute our bliss below;
mf Thee to see and Thee to love
Constitute our bliss above.

mp 3 Lord, it is not life to live
If Thy presence Thou deny;
Lord, if Thou Thy presence give
'T is no longer death to die.

mf 4 Source and Giver of repose,
Singly from Thy smile it flows;
Peace and happiness are Thine;
Mine they are if Thou art mine.
AMEN.

201

'Blessed be His glorious name for ever.'

m HOW sweet the name of Jesus sounds
In a believer's ear!
It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds,
And drives away his fear.

2 It makes the wounded spirit whole,
And calms the troubled breast;
'T is manna to the hungry soul,
And to the weary rest.

mf 3 Dear Name! the rock on which I build,
My shield and hiding-place,
My never-failing treasury, filled
With boundless stores of grace.

m 4 By Thee my prayers acceptance gain,
Although with sin defiled;
Satan accuses me in vain,
And I am owned a child.

mf 5 Jesus, my Shepherd, Husband, Friend,
My Prophet, Priest, and King,
My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End,
Accept the praise I bring.

m 6 Weak is the effort of my heart,
And cold my warmest thought;
mf But, when I see Thee as Thou art,
I'll praise Thee as I ought.

7 Till then I would Thy love proclaim
With every fleeting breath;
mp And may the music of Thy name
Refresh my soul in death. AMEN.

202

'Thou shalt make me full of joy with Thy countenance.'

mp JESUS, the very thought of Thee
With sweetness fills my breast;
m But sweeter far Thy face to see,
And in Thy presence rest.

2 Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame,
Nor can the memory find
A sweeter sound than Thy blest name
O Saviour of mankind.

mf 3 O Hope of every contrite heart,
O Joy of all the meek,
m To those who fall how kind Thou art!
How good to those who seek!

4 But what to those who find? (*mp*) Ah! this
Nor tongue nor pen can show;
The love of Jesus, what it is
None but His loved ones know.

mf 5 Jesus, our only joy be Thou,
As Thou our prize wilt be;
Jesus, be Thou our glory now,
And through eternity. AMEN.

203 *'I will extol Thee, my God, O King; and I will bless Thy name for ever.'*

mf O JESUS, King most wonderful,
Thou Conqueror renowned,
Thou Sweetness most ineffable,
In whom all joys are found!

m 2 When once Thou visitest the heart,
Then truth begins to shine,
Then earthly vanities depart,
Then kindles love Divine.

mf 3 O Jesus, Light of all below,
Thou Fount of life and fire,
Surpassing all the joys we know,
And all we can desire,—

m 4 May every heart confess Thy name,
And ever Thee adore,
And, seeking Thee, itself inflame
To seek Thee more and more.

mf 5 Thee may our tongues for ever bless;
Thee may we love alone,
And ever in our lives express
The image of Thine own. AMEN.

204 *'There wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day.'*

m COME, O Thou Traveller unknown,
Whom still I hold but cannot see;
My company before is gone,
And I am left alone with Thee;
With Thee all night I mean to stay,
And wrestle till the break of day.

mp 2 I need not tell Thee who I am,
My misery or sin declare;
Thyself hast called me by my name;
Look on Thy hands, and read it there.

c But who, I ask Thee, who art Thou?
Tell me Thy name, and tell me now.

m 3 In vain Thou struggles to get free,
I never will unloose my hold;
Art Thou the Man that died for me?
The secret of Thy love unfold;
Wrestling, I will not let Thee go
Till I Thy name, Thy nature know.

mp 4 What though my shrinking flesh complain,
And murmur to contend so long,

m I rise superior to my pain;
When I am weak then I am strong;
And, when my all of strength shall fail,
I shall with the God-Man prevail.

5 Yield to me now, for I am weak,
But confident in self-despair;
Speak to my heart, in blessings speak;
Be conquered by my instant prayer.

mf Speak, or Thou never hence shalt move,
And tell me if Thy name is Love.

m 6 'T is Love! 't is Love! Thou diedst for me!
I hear Thy whisper in my heart;

c The morning breaks, the shadows flee;
Pure universal Love Thou art;

mf To me, to all, Thy mercies move;
Thy nature and Thy name is Love.

m 7 I know Thee, Saviour who Thou art,
Jesus, the feeble sinner's Friend;
Nor wilt Thou with the night depart,
But stay and love me to the end:

f Thy mercies never shall remove;
Thy nature and Thy name is Love.
AMEN.

205 *'He that cometh to Me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on Me shall never thirst.'*

mf JESUS, Thou Joy of loving hearts.
Thou Fount of life, Thou Light of men,
From the best bliss that earth imparts
We turn unfilled to Thee again.

2 Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood;
Thou savest those that on Thee call
To them that seek Thee Thou art good.
To them that find Thee, all in all.

m 3 We taste Thee, O Thou living Bread,
And long to feast upon Thee still;
We drink of Thee, the Fountain-head,
And thirst our souls from Thee to fill.

4 Our restless spirits yearn for Thee,
Where'er our changeful lot is cast,—
mf Glad when Thy gracious smile we see,
Blest when our faith can hold Thee fast.

m 5 O Jesus, ever with us stay;
Make all our moments calm and bright;
mf Chase the dark night of sin away;
Shed o'er the world Thy holy light.
AMEN.

206

'Perfect love casteth out fear.'

m O LOVE that casts out fear,
O love that casts out sin,
Tarry no more without,
But come and dwell within.

2 True sunlight of the soul,
Surround me as I go;
So shall my way be safe,
My feet no straying know.

3 Great love of God, come in;
Wellspring of heavenly peace,
Thou living water, come,
Spring up, and never cease.

mf 4 Love of the living God,
Of Father, and of Son,
Love of the Holy Ghost,
Fill Thou each needy one. AMEN.

207

'To know the love of Christ .. that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.'

mp O LOVE that wilt not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in Thee:
I give Thee back the life I owe,
That in Thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

m 2 O Light that followest all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to Thee:
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.

mp 3 O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to Thee:
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be.

p 4 O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from Thee:
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.
AMEN.

208

'The love of Christ constraineth us.'

mp O GOD, I love Thee; not that my poor love
May win me entrance to Thy heaven above,
Nor yet that strangers to Thy love must know
The bitterness of everlasting woe.

mf 2 But, Jesus, Thou art mine, and I am Thine,
Clasped to Thy bosom by Thy arms Divine,
p Who on the cruel cross for me hast borne
The nails, the spear, and man's unpitying scorn.

3 No thought can fathom and no tongue express
Thy griefs, Thy toils, Thy anguish measureless,
Thy death, O Lamb of God the undefiled,—
And all for me, Thy wayward sinful child.

mp 4 How can I choose but love Thee, God's dear Son,
O Jesus, loveliest and most loving One?
Were there no heaven to gain, no hell to flee,
For what Thou art alone I must love Thee.

mf 5 Not for the hope of glory or reward,
But even as Thyself hast loved me, Lord,
f I love Thee, and will love Thee and adore,
Who art my King, my God for evermore. AMEN.

209

'Continue ye in My love.'

m TO Thee, O dear, dear Saviour,
My spirit turns for rest;
My peace is in Thy favour,
My pillow on Thy breast;
Though all the world deceive me,
I know that I am Thine,
mf And Thou wilt never leave me,
O blessed Saviour mine.

m 2 In Thee my trust abideth,
On Thee my hope relies,
O Thou whose love provideth
For all beneath the skies,
O Thou whose mercy found me,
From bondage set me free,
mf And then for ever bound me
With threefold cords to Thee.

mp 3 My grief is in the dulness
With which this sluggish heart
Doth open to the fulness
Of all Thou wouldst impart;
mf My joy is in Thy beauty
Of holiness Divine,
My comfort in the duty
That binds my life in Thine.

mp 4 Alas! that I should ever
Have failed in love to Thee,
The only One who never
Forgot or slighted me.
m O for a heart to love Thee
More truly as I ought,
And nothing place above Thee
In deed or word or thought!

mf 5 O for that choicest blessing
Of living in Thy love,
And thus on earth possessing
The peace of heaven above!
O for the bliss that by it
The soul securely knows,
d The holy calm and quiet
Of faith's serene repose! AMEN.

210

'I have loved thee with an everlasting love.'

m O SAVIOUR, I have nought to plead,
In earth beneath or heaven above,
But just my own exceeding need
And Thy exceeding love.

2 The need will soon be past and gone,
Exceeding great, but quickly o'er;
mf The love unbought is all Thine own,
And lasts for evermore. AMEN.

211

'The love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.'

m O LOVE Divine, how sweet thou art!
When shall I find my willing heart
All taken up by thee?
I thirst, and faint, and die to prove
The greatness of redeeming love,
The love of Christ to me.

mf 2 Stronger His love than death or hell;
Its riches are unsearchable:
The first-born sons of light
Desire in vain its depth to see;
They cannot reach the mystery,
The length and breadth and height.

m 3 God only knows the love of God:
mp O that it now were shed abroad
In this poor stony heart!
For love I sigh, for love I pine;
m This only portion, Lord, be mine,
Be mine this better part.

4 O that I could for ever sit
With Mary at the Master's feet;
mf Be this my happy choice:
My only care, delight, and bliss,
My joy, my heaven on earth be this,
To hear the Bridegroom's voice.
AMEN.

212

'If ye keep My commandments, ye shall abide in My love.'

m BLEST be Thy love, dear Lord,
That taught us this sweet way,
Only to love Thee for Thyself,
And for that love obey.

2 O Thou, our soul's chief hope!
We to Thy mercy fly;
Where'er we are Thou canst protect,
Whate'er we need, supply.

3 Whether we sleep or wake,
To Thee we both resign;
By night we see as well as day,
If Thy light on us shine.

4 Whether we live or die,
Both we submit to Thee;
In death we live as well as life,
If Thine in death we be. AMEN

213

'Lord, Thou knowest that I love Thee.'

m JESUS, my Lord, my God, my All,
Hear me, blest Saviour, when I call;
Hear me, and from Thy dwelling-place
Pour down the riches of Thy grace.
mf *Jesus, my Lord, I Thee adore;*
O make me love Thee more and more.

mp 2 Jesus, too late I Thee have sought;
m How can I love Thee as I ought?
And how extol Thy matchless fame,
The glorious beauty of Thy name?

mp 3 Jesus, what didst Thou find in me
That Thou hast dealt so lovingly?
m How great the joy that Thou hast brought,
So far exceeding hope or thought!

mf 4 Jesus, of Thee shall be my song;
To Thee my heart and soul belong;
All that I have or am is Thine,
And Thou, blest Saviour, Thou art mine.

AMEN.

214

'With my soul have I desired Thee.'

mp MORE love to Thee, O Christ,
More love to Thee!
Hear Thou the prayer I make
On bended knee;
This is my earnest plea,
'More love, O Christ, to Thee,
More love to Thee!'

2 Once earthly joy I craved,
Sought peace and rest;
Now Thee alone I seek;
Give what is best;
This all my prayer shall be,
'More love, O Christ, to Thee,
More love to Thee!'

p 3 Let sorrow do its work;
Send grief and pain;
mp Sweet are Thy messengers,
Sweet their refrain,
When they can sing with me,
'More love, O Christ, to Thee,
More love to Thee!'

p 4 Then shall my latest breath
Whisper Thy praise,
This be the parting cry
My heart shall raise;
mp This still its prayer shall be,
'More love, O Christ, to Thee,
More love to Thee!' AMEN.

215 *'This is my beloved, and this is my friend.'*

mf I'VE loved me a Friend; O such a Friend!
He loved me ere I knew Him;
He drew me with the cords of love,
And thus He bound me to Him;
And round my heart still closely twine
Those ties which nought can sever,
c For I am His and He is mine
For ever and for ever.

mp 2 I've found a Friend; O such a Friend!
He bled, He died to save me;
m And not alone the gift of life,
But His own self He gave me.
Nought that I have mine own I'll call,
I'll hold it for the Giver;
c My heart, my strength, my life, my all
Are His, and His for ever.

mf 3 I've found a Friend; O such a Friend!
All power to Him is given,
To guard me on my onward course
And bring me safe to heaven.
The eternal glories gleam afar,
To nerve my faint endeavour;
So now to watch, to work, to war,
And then to rest for ever.

m 4 I've found a Friend; O such a Friend,
So kind, and true, and tender!
So wise a Counsellor and Guide,
So mighty a Defender!
mf From Him who loves me now so well
What power my soul shall sever?
c Shall life or death, shall earth or hell?
No! I am His for ever. AMEN.

216 *'To know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge.'*

mp IT passeth knowledge, that dear love of Thine,
My Saviour, Jesus! yet this soul of mine
Would of Thy love, in all its breadth and length,
Its height and depth, its everlasting strength,
Know more and more.

m 2 It passeth telling, that dear love of Thine,
My Saviour, Jesus! yet these lips of mine
Would fain proclaim to sinners, far and near,
A love which can remove all guilty fear
And love beget.

mf 3 It passeth praises, that dear love of Thine,
My Saviour, Jesus! yet this heart of mine
Would sing that love, so full, so rich, so free,
Which brings a rebel sinner, such as me,
Nigh unto God.

m 4 But, though I cannot sing or tell or know
The fulness of Thy love, while here below,
My empty vessel I may freely bring;
O Thou who art of love the living spring,
My vessel fill.

5 O fill me, Jesus, Saviour, with Thy love!
Lead, lead me to the living fount above;
Thither may I, in simple faith, draw nigh,
And never to another fountain fly,
But unto Thee. AMEN.

217

'Then shall I know even as also I am known.'

mp WHEN this passing world is done,
When has sunk yon glaring sun,
m When we stand with Christ in glory,
Looking o'er life's finished story,
mf Then, Lord, shall I fully know,
Not till then, how much I owe.

m 2 When I stand before the throne
Dressed in beauty not my own,
When I see Thee as Thou art,
Love Thee with unsinning heart,
mf Then, Lord, shall I fully know,
Not till then, how much I owe.

3 When the praise of heaven I hear,
Loud as thunders to the ear,
Loud as many waters' noise,
Sweet as harp's melodious voice,
Then, Lord, shall I fully know,
Not till then, how much I owe.

mp 4 Even on earth, as through a glass,
Darkly, let Thy glory pass;
Make forgiveness feel so sweet;
Make Thy Spirit's help so meet;
mf Even on earth, Lord, make me know
Something of how much I owe.

m 5 Chosen not for good in me,
Wakened up from wrath to flee,
Hidden in the Saviour's side,
By the Spirit sanctified,
mf Teach me, Lord, on earth to show,
By my love, how much I owe.
AMEN.

218

'Hitherto hath the Lord helped us.'

mf COME, Thou Fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise.

2 Here I raise my Ebenezer;
Hither by Thy help I m come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.

mp 3 Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed His precious blood.

mf 4 O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I 'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to Thee.

mp 5 Prone to wander—Lord, I feel it—
Prone to leave the God I love,
mf Take my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it from Thy courts above.
AMEN.

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JOY AND PEACE

219

'The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.'

mf THE King of Love my Shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am His
And He is mine for ever.

2 Where streams of living water flow
My ransomed soul He leadeth,
And where the verdant pastures grow
With food celestial feedeth.

mp 3 Perverse and foolish oft I strayed;
But yet in love He sought me.
c And on His shoulder gently laid,
And home rejoicing brought me.

m 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill
With Thee, dear Lord, beside me,—
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy cross before to guide me.

mf 5 Thou spread'st a table in my sight:
Thy unction grace bestoweth;
f And O what transport of delight
From Thy pure chalice floweth!

mf 6 And so through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise
Within Thy house for ever.

AMEN.

220

'Joy and peace in believing.'

m SOMETIMES a light surprises
The Christian while he sings;
It is the Lord who rises
With healing in His wings:
When comforts are declining,
He grants the soul again
A season of clear shining,
To cheer it after rain.

2 In holy contemplation,
We sweetly then pursue
The theme of God's salvation,
And find it ever new.
Set free from present sorrow,
We cheerfully can say,
mf 'Even let the unknown to-morrow
Bring with it what it may:

3 'It can bring with it nothing
But He will bear us through;
Who gives the lilies clothing
Will clothe His people too.
Beneath the spreading heavens,
No creature but is fed;
And He who feeds the ravens
Will give His children bread.'

mp 4 Though vine nor fig-tree neither
Their wonted fruit should bear,
Though all the fields should wither,
Nor flocks nor herds be there,
mf Yet, God the same abiding,
His praise shall tune my voice;
For, while in Him confiding,
I cannot but rejoice. AMEN.

221

'In Thy presence is fulness of joy.'

mf MY God, I thank Thee, who hast made
The earth so bright,
So full of splendour and of joy,
Beauty and light;
So many glorious things are here,
Noble and right.

2 I thank Thee, too, that Thou hast made
Joy to abound,
So many gentle thoughts and deeds
Circling us round
That in the darkest spot of earth
Some love is found.

mp 3 I thank Thee more that all our joy
Is touched with pain,
That shadows fall on brightest hours,
That thorns remain,
m So that earth's bliss may be our guide,
And not our chain.

mp 4 For Thou, who knowest, Lord, how soon
Our weak heart clings,
Hast given us joys, tender and true,
Yet all with wings,
c So that we see, gleaming on high,
Diviner things.

m 5 I thank Thee, Lord, that Thou hast kept
The best in store:
We have enough, yet not too much
To long for more,—
A yearning for a deeper peace
Not known before.

6 I thank Thee, Lord, that here our souls,
Though amply blest,
Can never find, although they seek,
A perfect rest,
mp Nor ever shall, until they lean
On Jesus' breast. AMEN.

222

'The Lord will bless His people with peace.'

m DEAR Lord and Father of mankind,
Forgive our foolish ways;
Reclothe us in our rightful mind;
In purer lives Thy service find,
In deeper reverence, praise.

2 In simple trust like theirs who heard,
Beside the Syrian sea,
The gracious calling of the Lord,
Let us, like them, without a word
Rise up and follow Thee.

mp 3 O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above,
Where Jesus knelt to share with Thee
The silence of eternity,
Interpreted by love.

p 4 With that deep hush subduing all
Our words and works that drown
The tender whisper of Thy call,
As noiseless let Thy blessing fall
As fell Thy manna down.

mp 5 Drop Thy still dews of quietness,
Till all our strivings cease;
Take from our souls the strain and stress,
And let our ordered lives confess
The beauty of Thy peace.

6 Breathe through the heats of our desire
Thy coolness and Thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still small voice of calm! AMEN.

223

'He went up into a mountain apart to pray.'

mp FAR from the world, O Lord, I flee,
From strife and tumult far,
From scenes where Satan wages still
His most successful war.

2 The calm retreat, the silent shade,
With prayer and praise agree,
And seem by Thy sweet bounty made
For those who follow Thee.

m 3 There, if Thy Spirit touch the soul,
And grace her mean abode,
O with what peace, and joy, and love
She communes with her God!

mf 4 Author and Guardian of my life,
Sweet Source of light divine,
And—all harmonious names in one—
My Saviour, Thou art mine!

5 What thanks I owe Thee and what love,
A boundless, endless store,
Shall echo through the realms above
When time shall be no more.
AMEN.

224

'In the multitude of my thoughts within me Thy comforts delight my soul.'

m 'TWIXT gleams of joy and clouds of doubt
Our feelings come and go;
Our best estate is tossed about
In ceaseless ebb and flow.
No mood of feeling, form of thought,
Is constant for a day;
mf But Thou, O Lord, Thou changest not:
The same Thou art alway.

m 2 I grasp Thy strength, make it mine own,
My heart with peace is blest;
mp I lose my hold, and then comes down
Darkness, and cold unrest.
m Let me no more my comfort draw
From my frail hold of Thee,
In this alone rejoice with awe—
Thy mighty grasp of me.

3 Out of that weak, unquiet drift
That comes but to depart,
To that pure heaven my spirit lift
Where Thou unchanging art.
mf Lay hold of me with Thy strong grasp,
Let Thy almighty arm
In its embrace my weakness clasp,
And I shall fear no harm.

m 4 Thy purpose of eternal good
Let me but surely know;
On this I 'll lean—let changing mood
And feeling come or go—
mf Glad when Thy sunshine fills my soul,
Not lorn when clouds o'ercast,
Since Thou within Thy sure control
Of love dost hold me fast. AMEN.

225

'The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.'

mp CALM me, my God, and keep me calm;
While these hot breezes blow,
Be like the night-dew's cooling balm
Upon earth's fevered brow.

2 Calm me, my God, and keep me calm,
Soft resting on Thy breast;
Soothe me with holy hymn and psalm,
And bid my spirit rest.

3 Calm me, my God, and keep me calm;
Let Thine outstretchèd wing
Be like the shade of Elim's palm
Beside her desert spring.

4 Yes, keep me calm, though loud and rude
The sounds my ear that greet:
Calm in the closet's solitude,
Calm in the bustling street;

5 Calm in the hour of buoyant health,
Calm in my hour of pain;
Calm in my poverty or wealth,
Calm in my loss or gain;

6 Calm in the sufferance of wrong,
Like Him who bore my shame;
Calm, 'mid the threatening, taunting throng,
Who hate Thy holy name;

7 Calm when the great world's news with power
My listening spirit stir—
Let not the tidings of the hour
E'er find too fond an ear;

8 Calm as the ray of sun or star,
Which storms assail in vain;
Moving unruffled through earth's war,
The eternal calm to gain. AMEN.

226

'Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee.'

mp PEACE, perfect peace? in this dark world of sin!
m The blood of Jesus whispers peace within.

mp 2 Peace, perfect peace? by thronging duties pressed!
m To do the will of Jesus, this is rest.

mp 3 Peace, perfect peace? with sorrows surging round!
m On Jesus' bosom nought but calm is found.

mp 4 Peace, perfect peace? with loved ones far away!
m In Jesus' keeping we are safe, and they.

mp 5 Peace, perfect peace? our future all unknown!
m Jesus we know, and He is on the throne.

p 6 Peace, perfect peace? death shadowing us and ours!
m Jesus has vanquished death and all its powers.

mf 7 It is enough: earth's struggles soon shall cease,
And Jesus call us to heaven's perfect peace. AMEN.

227

'The Lord is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in Him.'

m MY heart is resting, O my God,
I will give thanks and sing;
My heart is at the secret source
Of every precious thing.
Now the frail vessel Thou hast made
No hand but Thine shall fill;
d For the waters of the earth have failed,
And I am thirsty still.

m 2 I thirst for springs of heavenly life,
And here all day they rise;
I seek the treasure of Thy love,
And close at hand it lies;
And a new song is in my mouth,
To long-loved music set:
mf 'Glory to Thee for all the grace
I have not tasted yet;

3 'Glory to Thee for strength withheld,
For want and weakness known,
And the fear that sends me to Thy breast
For what is most my own.'
m I have a heritage of joy,
That yet I must not see;
But the hand that bled to make it mine
Is keeping it for me.

mf 4 My heart is resting, O my God,
My heart is in Thy care;
I hear the voice of joy and health
Resounding everywhere.
f 'Thou art my portion,' saith my soul,
Ten thousand voices say,
And the music of their glad Amen
Will never die away.
AMEN.

HOLINESS AND ASPIRATION

228

'Create in me a clean heart, O God.'

mf O FOR a heart to praise my God!
A heart from sin set free;
A heart that always feels Thy blood,
So freely shed for me;

mp 2 A heart resigned, submissive, meek,
My great Redeemer's throne,
Where only Christ is heard to speak,
Where Jesus reigns alone;

3 A humble, lowly, contrite heart,
Believing, true, and clean,
m Which neither life nor death can part
From Him that dwells within;

4 A heart in every thought renewed,
And full of love divine,
Perfect and right and pure and good,
A copy, Lord, of Thine!

mf 5 Thy nature, gracious Lord, impart;
Come quickly from above;
Write Thy new name upon my heart,
Thy new, best name of Love.
AMEN.

229

'Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.'

mf BLEST are the pure in heart,
For they shall see their God:
The secret of the Lord is theirs;
Their soul is Christ's abode.

m 2 The Lord, who left the sky
Our life and peace to bring,
And dwelt in lowliness with men,
Their Pattern and their King,—

3 Still to the lowly soul
He doth Himself impart,
And for His dwelling and His throne
Chooseth the pure in heart.

mp 4 Lord, we Thy presence seek;
Ours may this blessing be;
O give the pure and lowly heart,
A temple meet for Thee. AMEN.

230

'God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.'

m LOVE Divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling,
All Thy faithful mercies crown.

mp 2 Jesus, Thou art all compassion,
Pure, unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.

mf 3 Come, almighty to deliver;
Let us all Thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more Thy temples leave.

4 Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise Thee, without ceasing,
Glory in Thy perfect love.

m 5 Finish then Thy new creation:
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see Thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in Thee,

mf 6 Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee,
f Lost in wonder, love, and praise.
AMEN.

231

'If we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin.'

m WALK in the light: so shalt thou know
That fellowship of love
His Spirit only can bestow
Who reigns in light above.

2 Walk in the light: and sin, abhorred,
Shall ne'er defile again;
The blood of Jesus Christ thy Lord
Shall cleanse from every stain.

3 Walk in the light: and thou shalt find
Thy heart made truly His
Who dwells in cloudless light enshrined,
In whom no darkness is.

mf 4 Walk in the light: and thou shalt own
Thy darkness passed away,
Because that light hath on thee shone
In which is perfect day.

m 5 Walk in the light: (*mp*) and even the tomb
No fearful shade shall wear;
mf Glory shall chase away its gloom,
For Christ hath conquered there.

6 Walk in the light: and thine shall be
A path, though thorny, bright;
For God, by grace, shall dwell in thee,
And God Himself is Light. AMEN.

232

'Your life is hid with Christ in God.'

mp O LAMB of God, still keep me
Close to Thy pierced side;
'T is only there in safety
And peace I can abide.
What foes and snares surround me,
What lusts and fears within!
The grace that sought and found me
Alone can keep me clean.

m 2 'T is only in Thee hiding
I feel myself secure;
Only in Thee abiding,
The conflict can endure.
Thine arm the victory gaineth
O'er every hateful foe;
Thy love my heart sustaineth
In all its cares and woe.

mf 3 Soon shall my eyes behold Thee
With rapture face to face;
One half hath not been told me
Of all Thy power and grace.
Thy beauty, Lord, and glory,
The wonders of Thy love,
Shall be the endless story
Of all Thy saints above. AMEN.

233

'O God, Thou art my God; early will I seek Thee.'

m O GOD, Thou art my God alone;
Early to Thee my soul shall cry,
A pilgrim in a land unknown,
A thirsty land whose springs are dry.

mp 2 O that it were as it hath been
When, praying in the holy place,
Thy power and glory I have seen,
And marked the footsteps of Thy grace!

m 3 Yet through this rough and thorny maze
I follow hard on Thee, my God;
Thine hand unseen upholds my ways;
I safely tread where Thou hast trod.

mp 4 Thee, in the watches of the night,
When I remember on my bed,
Thy presence makes the darkness light;
Thy guardian wings are round my head.

mf 5 Better than life itself Thy love,
Dearer than all beside to me;
For whom have I in heaven above,
Or what on earth, compared with Thee?

f 6 Praise, with my heart, my mind, my voice,
For all Thy mercy I will give;
My soul shall still in God rejoice;
My tongue shall bless Thee while I live. AMEN.

234

'My soul followeth hard after Thee.'

m THOU hidden Love of God, whose height,
Whose depth unfathomed, no man knows,
I see from far Thy beauteous light,
mp Inly I sigh for Thy repose;
My heart is pained, nor can it be
At rest till it finds rest in Thee.

2 Thy secret voice invites me still
The sweetness of Thy yoke to prove;
And fain I would; but, though my will
Seem fixed, yet wide my passions rove.
Yet hindrances strow all the way;
I aim at Thee, yet from Thee stray.

3 'T is mercy all, that Thou hast brought
My mind to seek her peace in Thee;
Yet, while I seek but find Thee not,
No peace my wandering soul shall see.
O when shall all my wanderings end,
And all my steps to Thee-ward tend?

m 4 Is there a thing beneath the sun
That strives with Thee my heart to share?
c Ah! tear it thence, and reign alone,
The Lord of every motion there;
mf Then shall my heart from earth be free,
When it has found repose in Thee.
AMEN.

235

'Then came she and worshipped Him, saying, Lord, help me.'

mp O HELP us, Lord; each hour of need
Thy heavenly succour give;
m Help us in thought and word and deed
Each hour on earth we live.

p 2 O help us when our spirits bleed
With contrite anguish sore;
And, when our hearts are cold and dead,
O help us, Lord, the more.

m 3 O help us, through the prayer of faith,
More firmly to believe;
For still the more the servant hath
The more shall he receive.

4 If, strangers to Thy fold, we call,
Imploring at Thy feet
The crumbs that from Thy table fall,
'T is all we dare entreat.

5 But be it, Lord of mercy, all,
So Thou wilt grant but this:
The crumbs that from Thy table fall
Are light and life and bliss.

mf 6 O help us, Saviour, from on high;
We know no help but Thee;
O help us so to live and die
As Thine in heaven to be. AMEN.

236

'Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation.'

m O FOR a closer walk with God,
A calm and heavenly frame,
A light to shine upon the road
That leads me to the Lamb!

mp 2 Where is the blessedness I knew
When first I saw the Lord?
Where is the soul-refreshing view
Of Jesus and His word?

3 What peaceful hours I once enjoyed!
How sweet their memory still!
d But they have left an aching void
The world can never fill.

mp 4 Return, O Holy Dove! return,
Sweet messenger of rest!
m I hate the sins that made Thee mourn,
And drove Thee from my breast.

5 The dearest idol I have known,
Whate'er that idol be,
Help me to tear it from Thy throne
And worship only Thee.

mp 6 So shall my walk be close with God,
Calm and serene my frame;
So purer light shall mark the road
That leads me to the Lamb.
AMEN.

237

'My heart and my flesh crieth out for the living God.'

mp NEARER, my God, to Thee,
Nearer to Thee!
Even though it be a cross
That raiseth me,
c Still all my song would be,
'Nearer, my God, to Thee,
d Nearer to Thee!'

p 2 Though, like the wanderer,
The sun gone down,
Darkness be over me,
My rest a stone,
c Yet in my dreams I'd be
Nearer, my God, to Thee,
d Nearer to Thee!

m 3 There let the way appear
Steps unto heaven,
All that Thou send'st to me
In mercy given,
Angels to beckon me
c Nearer, my God, to Thee,
d Nearer to Thee!

mf 4 Then, with my waking thoughts
Bright with Thy praise,
Out of my stony griefs
Bethel I'll raise,—
c So by my woes to be
Nearer, my God, to Thee,
d Nearer to Thee!

mf 5 Or if on joyful wing
Cleaving the sky,
Sun, moon, and stars forgot,
Upwards I fly,
Still all my song shall be,
c 'Nearer, my God, to Thee,
d Nearer to Thee!' AMEN.

238 *'When that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away.'*

m THE roseate hues of early dawn,
The brightness of the day,
The crimson of the sunset sky,
d How fast they fade away!
mf O for the pearly gates of heaven!
O for the golden floor!
O for the Sun of Righteousness
That setteth nevermore!

m 2 The highest hopes we cherish here,
How fast they tire and faint!
How many a spot defiles the robe
That wraps an earthly saint!
mf O for a heart that never sins!
O for a soul washed white!
O for a voice to praise our King,
Nor weary day or night!

m 3 Here faith is ours, and heavenly hope,
And grace to lead us higher;
But there are perfectness and peace
Beyond our best desire.
mp O by Thy love and anguish, Lord,
And by Thy life laid down,
m Grant that we fall not from Thy grace,
Nor cast away our crown! AMEN.

239 *'And the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our faith.'*

m O FOR a faith that will not shrink
Though pressed by many a foe,
That will not tremble on the brink
Of poverty or woe,

mp 2 That will not murmur nor complain
Beneath the chastening rod,
m But, in the hour of grief or pain,
Can lean upon its God;

3 A faith that shines more bright and clear
When tempests rage without,
That when in danger knows no fear,
In darkness feels no doubt;

4 A faith that keeps the narrow way
Till life's last spark is fled,
And with a pure and heavenly ray
Lights up a dying bed!

5 Lord, give me such a faith as this,
mf And then, whate'er may come,
I taste even now the hallowed bliss
Of an eternal home. AMEN.

240 *'They go from strength to strength, every one of them in Zion appeareth before God.'*

mf SAVIOUR, blessèd Saviour,
Listen while we sing,
Hearts and voices raising
Praises to our King;
All we have we offer,
All we hope to be,
Body, soul, and spirit,
All we yield to Thee.

mp 2 Nearer, ever nearer,
Christ, we draw to Thee,
Deep in adoration
Bending low the knee.
m Thou for our redemption
Cam'st on earth to die;
mf Thou, that we might follow,
Hast gone up on high.

3 Great and ever greater
Are Thy mercies here;
True and everlasting
Are the glories there,
Where no pain nor sorrow,
Toil nor care, is known,
Where the angel legions
Circle round Thy throne.

4 Clearer still and clearer
Dawns the light from heaven,
In our sadness bringing
News of sins forgiven;

f Life has lost its shadows,
Pure the light within;
Thou hast shed Thy radiance
On a world of sin.

mf 5 Onward, ever onward,
Journeying o'er the road
Worn by saints before us,
Journeying on to God,
Leaving all behind us,
May we hasten on,
Backward never looking
Till the prize is won.

f 6 Higher then and higher
Bear the ransomed soul
Earthly toils forgotten,
Saviour, to its goal,
Where, in joys unthought of,
Saints with angels sing,
Never weary, raising
Praises to their King. AMEN.

241

'Speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward.'

mf 'FORWARD!' be our watchword,
Steps and voices joined;
Seek the things before us
Not a look behind;
Burns the fiery pillar
At our army's head;
Who shall dream of shrinking,
By Jehovah led?
f Forward through the desert,
Through the toil and fight;
Jordan flows before us,
Zion beams with light.

mf 2 Glories upon glories
Hath our God prepared,
By the souls that love Him
One day to be shared;
Eye hath not beheld them,
Ear hath never heard,
Nor of these hath uttered
Thought or speech a word.
f Forward, marching forward,
Where the heaven is bright,
Till the veil be lifted,
Till our faith be sight.

mf 3 Far o'er yon horizon
Rise the city towers,
Where our God abideth;
That fair home is ours:
Flash the streets with jasper,
Shine the gates with gold,
Flows the gladdening river,
Shedding joys untold.
f Thither, onward thither,
In Jehovah's might;
Pilgrims to your country,
Forward into light!

4 To the Father's glory
Loudest anthems raise,
To the Son and Spirit
Echo songs of praise;
To the Lord Jehovah,
Blessèd Three in One,
Be by men and angels
Endless honour done.
m Weak are earthly praises,
Dull the songs of night;
ff Forward into triumph,
Forward into light! AMEN.

242

'I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me.'

mp O THE bitter shame and sorrow,
That a time could ever be
When I let the Saviour's pity
Plead in vain, and proudly answered,
m 'All of self, and none of Thee!'

mp 2 Yet He found me; I beheld Him
Bleeding on the accursed tree,
Heard Him pray, 'Forgive them, Father!'
And my wistful heart said faintly,
p 'Some of self, and some of Thee!'

mp 3 Day by day His tender mercy,
Healing, helping, full and free,
Sweet and strong, and, ah! so patient,
Brought me lower, while I whispered,
pc 'Less of self, and more of Thee!'

m 4 Higher than the highest heaven,
Deeper than the deepest sea,
Lord, Thy love at last hath conquered;
Grant me now my supplication,
mf 'None of self, and all of Thee!'
AMEN.

BROTHERLY LOVE

243

'The multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul.'

m BLEST be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.

2 Before our Father's throne
We pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
Our comforts and our cares.

3 We share our mutual woes,
Our mutual burdens bear;
And often for each other flows
The sympathizing tear.

mp 4 When we asunder part,
It gives us keenest pain;
m But we shall still be joined in heart,
And hope to meet again.

mf 5 This glorious hope revives
Our courage by the way,
While each in expectation lives,
And longs to see the day.

6 From sorrow, toil, and pain,
And sin we shall be free,
And perfect love and friendship reign
Through all eternity. AMEN.

244

'The greatest of these is charity.'

m GRACIOUS Spirit, Holy Ghost,
Taught by Thee, we covet most,
Of Thy gifts at Pentecost,
Holy, heavenly love.

2 Faith that mountains could remove,
Tongues of earth or heaven above,
Knowledge, all things, empty prove
Without heavenly love.

3 Though I as a martyr bleed,
Give my goods the poor to feed,
All is vain if love I need;
mf Therefore give me love.

m 4 Love is kind, and suffers long;
Love is meek, and thinks no wrong,
Love than death itself more strong;
mf Therefore give us love.

m 5 Prophecy will fade away,
Melting in the light of day;
Love will ever with us stay;
mf Therefore give us love.

6 Faith and hope and love we see,
Joining hand in hand, agree;
f But the greatest of the three,
And the best, is love. AMEN.

245

'Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God.'

m BELOVÈD, let us love: love is of God;
In God alone hath love its true abode.

2 Belovèd, let us love: for they who love,
They only, are His sons, born from above.

3 Belovèd, let us love: for love is rest,
And he who loveth not abides unblest.

4 Belovèd, let us love: for love is light,
And he who loveth not dwelleth in night.

5 Belovèd, let us love: for only thus
Shall we behold that God who loveth us. AMEN.

Also Hymns 421, 456-458.

DISCIPLESHIP AND SERVICE

246

'In all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us.'

mp JESUS, I my cross have taken,
All to leave, and follow Thee;
Destitute, despised, forsaken,
Thou from hence my all shalt be.

m Perish every fond ambition, [known;
All I've sought, and hoped, and
mf Yet how rich is my condition!
God and heaven are still my own.

mp 2 Let the world despise and leave me,
They have left my Saviour too;
Human hearts and looks deceive me;
mf Thou art not, like man, untrue;

And, while Thou shalt smile upon me,
God of wisdom, love, and might,
Foes may hate, and friends may shun me;
Show Thy face, and all is bright.

m 3 Man may trouble and distress me,
'T will but drive me to Thy breast:
Life with trials hard may press me,
Heaven will bring me sweeter rest.
mf O 't is not in grief to harm me,
While Thy love is left to me!
O 't were not in joy to charm me,
Were that joy unmixed with Thee!

m 4 Take, my soul, thy full salvation;
Rise o'er sin and fear and care:
Joy to find in every station
Something still to do or bear.
Think what Spirit dwells within thee,
What a Father's smile is thine,
What thy Saviour died to win thee.
mf Child of heaven, shouldst thou repine?

5 Haste then on from grace to glory,
Armed by faith, and winged by prayer;
Heaven's eternal day 's before thee;
God's own hand shall guide thee there.
m Soon shall close thy earthly mission;
Swift shall pass thy pilgrim days,
f Hope soon change to glad fruition,
Faith to sight, and prayer to praise. AMEN.

247

'Whose I am, and whom I serve.'

mp JESUS, Master, whose I am,
Purchased, Thine alone to be,
By Thy blood, O spotless Lamb,
Shed so willingly for me,
m Let my heart be all Thine own,
Let me live to Thee alone.

2 Other lords have long held sway;
Now, Thy name alone to bear,
Thy dear voice alone obey,
Is my daily, hourly prayer:
mf Whom have I in heaven but Thee?
Nothing else my joy can be.

m 3 Jesus, Master, I am Thine:
Keep me faithful, keep me near;
Let Thy presence in me shine,
All my homeward way to cheer.
mp Jesus, at Thy feet I fall,
mf O be Thou my All in all.

m 4 Jesus, Master, whom I serve,
Though so feebly and so ill,
Strengthen hand and heart and nerve
All Thy bidding to fulfil;
Open Thou mine eyes to see
All the work Thou hast for me.

5 Lord, Thou needest not, I know,
Service such as I can bring;
Yet I long to prove and show
Full allegiance to my King.
mf Thou an honour art to me;
Let me be a praise to Thee.

m 6 Jesus, Master, wilt Thou use
One who owes Thee more than all?
As Thou wilt! I would not choose;
Only let me hear Thy call.
mf Jesus, let me always be
In Thy service glad and free.
AMEN.

248

'My soul shall make her boast in the Lord.'

mp JESUS! and shall it ever be,
A mortal man ashamed of Thee,
c Ashamed of Thee, whom angels praise,
Whose glories shine through endless days?

m 2 Ashamed of Jesus! sooner far
Let evening blush to own a star;
mf He sheds the beams of light Divine
O'er this benighted soul of mine.

m 3 Ashamed of Jesus! just as soon
Let midnight be ashamed of noon;
mf 'T is midnight with my soul till He,
Bright Morning Star, bid darkness flee.

m 4 Ashamed of Jesus, that dear Friend
On whom my hopes of heaven depend!
No! when I blush, be this my shame,
That I no more revere His name.

5 Ashamed of Jesus! yes, I may
When I 've no guilt to wash away;
No tear to wipe, no good to crave,
No fears to quell, no soul to save.

mf 6 Till then—nor is my boasting vain—
Till then I boast a Saviour slain;
And O may this my glory be,
That Christ is not ashamed of me!
AMEN.

249

'Let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus.'

mf FIGHT the good fight
With all thy might;
Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right.
Lay hold on life, and it shall be
Thy joy and crown eternally.

m 2 Run the straight race
Through God's good grace,
Lift up thine eyes, and seek His face;
Life with its path before us lies;
c Christ is the way, and Christ the prize.

m 3 Cast care aside;
Upon thy Guide
Lean, and His mercy will provide,—
Lean, and the trusting soul shall prove
Christ is its life, and Christ its love.

4 Faint not, nor fear;
His arm is near;
He changeth not, and thou art dear;
c Only believe, and thou shalt see
That Christ is all in all to thee.
AMEN.

250

'Whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.'

mf WE are the Lord's: His all-sufficient merit,
Sealed on the cross, to us this grace accords:
We are the Lord's, and all things shall inherit;
Whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.

2 We are the Lord's: then let us gladly tender
Our souls to Him, in deeds, not empty words;
Let heart and tongue and life combine to render
No doubtful witness that we are the Lord's.

mp 3 We are the Lord's: no darkness brooding o'er us
Can make us tremble, whilst this star affords
m A steady light along the path before us—
Faith's full assurance that we are the Lord's.

mp 4 We are the Lord's: no evil can befall us
In the dread hour of life's fast loosening cords;
No pangs of death shall even then appal us;
f Death we shall vanquish, for we are the Lord's. AMEN.

251 *'He died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto Him which died for them.'*

mp THY life was given for me,
Thy blood, O Lord, was shed
That I might ransomed be,
And quickened from the dead:
Thy life was given for me;
p What have I given for Thee?

mp 2 Long years were spent for me
In weariness and woe,
That through eternity
Thy glory I might know:
Long years were spent for me;
p Have I spent one for Thee?

mp 3 Thy Father's home of light,
Thy rainbow-circled throne,
Were left for earthly night,
For wanderings sad and lone:
Yea, all was left for me;
p Have I left aught for Thee?

pp 4 Thou, Lord, hast borne for me
More than my tongue can tell
Of bitterest agony,
To rescue me from hell:
p Thou sufferedst all for me;
What have I borne for Thee?

mf 5 And Thou hast brought to me
Down from Thy home above
Salvation full and free,
Thy pardon and Thy love:
Great gifts Thou broughtest me;
mp What have I brought to Thee?

m 6 O let my life be given,
My years for Thee be spent,
World-fetters all be riven,
And joy with suffering blent:
mf Thou gav'st Thyself for me;
I give myself to Thee. AMEN.

252 *'Work: for I am with you, saith the Lord of hosts.'*

mp OIT is hard to work for God,
To rise and take His part
Upon this battle-field of earth,
And not sometimes lose heart!

2 He hides Himself so wondrously,
As though there were no God;
He is least seen when all the powers
Of ill are most abroad.

m 3 Ah! God is other than we think;
His ways are far above,
Far beyond reason's height, and reached
Only by childlike love.

mf 4 Workman of God! O lose not heart,
But learn what God is like,
And, in the darkest battle-field,
Thou shalt know where to strike.

5 Thrice blest is he to whom is given
The instinct that can tell
That God is on the field when He
Is most invisible.

m 6 Then learn to scorn the praise of men,
And learn to lose with God;
For Jesus won the world through shame,
And beckons thee His road.

mf 7 For right is right, since God is God,
And right the day must win;
To doubt would be disloyalty,
To falter would be sin. AMEN.

253

'Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.'

mf COME, labour on:
Who dares stand idle on the harvest plain,
While all around him waves the golden grain,
And to each servant does the Master say,
'Go work to-day'?

2 Come, labour on:
Claim the high calling angels cannot share;
To young and old the joyful tidings bear;
Redeem the time: (*mp*) its hours too swiftly fly,
The night draws nigh.

mf 3 Come, labour on:
Away with gloomy doubts and faithless fear!
m No arm so weak but may do service here;
By hands the feeblest can our God fulfil
His righteous will.

4 Come, labour on:
No time for rest till glows the western sky,
d While the long shadows o'er our pathway lie,
c And a glad sound comes with the setting sun,
'Servants, well done.'

mf 5 Come, labour on:
The toil is pleasant, the reward is sure;
Blessèd are those who to the end endure;
How full their joy, how deep their rest shall be,
O Lord, with Thee! AMEN.

254

'Let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.'

mf GO, labour on: spend and be spent,
Thy joy to do the Father's will;
It is the way the Master went;
Should not the servant tread it still?

2 Go, labour on: 't is not for nought;
Thy earthly loss is heavenly gain;
Men heed thee, love thee, praise thee not;
The Master praises; what are men?

m 3 Go, labour on: your hands are weak,
Your knees are faint, your soul cast down;
mf Yet falter not; the prize you seek
Is near,—a kingdom and a crown.

m 4 Go, labour on while it is day:
The world's dark night is hastening on;
mf Speed, speed thy work; cast sloth away;
It is not thus that souls are won.

mp 5 Men die in darkness at your side,
Without a hope to cheer the tomb;
m Take up the torch and wave it wide,
The torch that lights time's thickest gloom.

6 Toil on, faint not, keep watch, and pray;
Be wise the erring soul to win;
Go forth into the world's highway,
Compel the wanderer to come in.

mf 7 Toil on, and in thy toil rejoice;
For toil comes rest, for exile home;
f Soon shalt thou hear the Bridegroom's voice,
The midnight peal, 'Behold, I come!' AMEN.

255 *'I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say.'*

m LORD, speak to me, that I may speak
In living echoes of Thy tone;
As Thou hast sought, so let me seek
Thy erring children lost and lone.

2 O lead me, Lord, that I may lead
The wandering and the wavering feet;
O feed me, Lord, that I may feed
Thy hungering ones with manna sweet.

mf 3 O strengthen me, that, while I stand
Firm on the rock, and strong in Thee,
I may stretch out a loving hand
To wrestlers with the troubled sea.

m 4 O teach me, Lord, that I may teach
The precious things Thou dost impart;
And wing my words, that they may reach
The hidden depths of many a heart.

mp 5 O give Thine own sweet rest to me,
That I may speak with soothing power
A word in season, as from Thee,
To weary ones in needful hour.

mf 6 O fill me with Thy fulness, Lord,
Until my very heart o'erflow
In kindling thought and glowing word,
Thy love to tell, Thy praise to show.

m 7 O use me, Lord, use even me,
Just as Thou wilt, and when, and where,
c Until Thy blessèd face I see,
Thy rest, Thy joy, Thy glory share.
AMEN.

256 *'I beseech you, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.'*

m TAKE my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee.
Take my moments and my days;
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

2 Take my hands, and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee.

mf 3 Take my voice, and let me sing
Always, only, for my King.
Take my lips, and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee.

m 4 Take my silver and my gold;
Not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use
Every power as Thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will, and make it Thine;
It shall be no longer mine.
mf Take my heart—it is Thine own;
It shall be Thy royal throne.

m 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure-store.
f Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee! AMEN.

257 *'Let your heart be perfect with the Lord our God.'*

mf TRUE-HEARTED, whole-hearted,
faithful, and loyal,
King of our lives, by Thy grace we will be!
Under Thy standard exalted and royal,
Strong in Thy strength, we will battle for Thee.
f *Peal out the watchword, and silence it never,*
Song of our spirits rejoicing and free:
'True-hearted, whole-hearted, now and for ever,
King of our lives, by Thy grace we will be!'

mf 2 True-hearted, whole-hearted! fullest allegiance
Yielding henceforth to our glorious King,
Valiant endeavour and loving obedience [we bring.
Freely and joyously now would

mp 3 True-hearted! Saviour, Thou knowest our story;
Weak are the hearts that we lay at Thy feet,
Sinful and treacherous; yet, for Thy glory,
Heal them, and cleanse them from sin and deceit.

mf 4 Whole-hearted! Saviour, belovèd and glorious,
Take Thy great power and reign Thou alone
Over our wills and affections victorious,
Freely surrendered, and wholly Thine own.

AMEN.

258

'Always abounding in the work of the Lord.'

m CHRISTIAN, work for Jesus,
Who on earth for thee
Laboured, wearied, suffered,
Died upon the tree.

mf 2 Work, with lips so fervid
That thy words may prove
Thou hast brought a message
From the God of love.

m 3 Work, with heart that burneth
Humbly at His feet
Priceless gems to offer
For His crown made meet.

4 Work, with prayer unceasing,
Borne on faith's strong wing,
Earnestly beseeching
Trophies for the King.

5 Work, while strength endureth,
Until death draw near;
c Then thy Lord's sweet welcome
Thou in heaven shalt hear. AMEN.

259

'We will serve the Lord.'

m BELIEVING fathers oft have told
What things by God were done,
When faithful men in days of old
Their lifelong battle won;
mf And now when God calls us to life,
And Satan tempts each man,
We choose our side in the mortal strife
To fight as best we can,—
f Like brothers true, of one accord,
To hold one faith and serve one Lord.

mf 2 Our King has come to claim His own,
m Has paid the debt we owe,
Himself has fought the fight alone,
In straits we cannot know.
Amid the world's confusèd noise,
Where we but darkly see,
The Christ appeals, with sweet, clear voice,
mf 'My brothers, follow Me,'—
Like brothers true, of one accord,
To hold one faith, to serve one Lord.

3 His Church our shelter, He our Guide,
Our strength His healing cross,
We range ourselves upon His side,
Where none can suffer loss.
We're safe behind our Saviour's shield;
He makes us heirs of heaven;
We claim upon the embattled field
The victory Christ has given,—
f Like brothers true, of one accord,
To hold one faith and serve one Lord.

mp 4 And yet, O Christ, our Saviour King,
Unless Thou keep us Thine,
Our faith will soon dry at the spring,
Our love will shrink and pine.
m So by Thy Spirit mould us, Lord;
Inspire our hearts to pray;
Our hungry souls feed with Thy word,
Teach all our guild to say,
mf 'True brothers we, of one accord,
We hold one faith, we serve one Lord.'

5 We fain would do our Master's part,
And help our fellow-men,
Would cheer some lonely brother's heart,
Some lost one bring again,
Would serve the Church abroad, at home,
With hearts from self set free,
Striving to make Thy kingdom come.
O God, so may it be,
f That, brothers true, with one accord
We hold the faith and serve the Lord! AMEN.

260

'Do all in the name of the Lord Jesus.'

mf SONS of labour, dear to Jesus,
To your homes and work again!
Go with brave hearts back to duty,
Face the peril, bear the pain;
m Be your dwellings ne'er so lowly,
Yet remember by your bed
mp That the Son of God most holy
Had not where to lay His head.

m 2 Sons of labour, pray to Jesus;
mp O how Jesus prayed for you,
In the moonlight, on the mountain
Where the shimmering olives grew!
m When you rise up at the dawning,
Ere to toil you wend your way,
Pray, as He prayed, in the morning,
Long before the break of day.

3 Sons of labour, be like Jesus,
Undefilèd, chaste, and pure,
And, though Satan tempt you sorely,
By His grace you shall endure.
Husband, father, son, and brother,
Be ye gentle, just, and true,
Be ye kind to one another,
As the Lord is kind to you.

mp 4 Sons of labour, go to Jesus
In your sorrow, shame, and loss;
He is nearest, you are dearest,
When you bravely bear His cross;
Go to Him who died to save you,
And is still the sinner's Friend,
And the great love which forgave you
Will forgive you to the end.

mf 5 Sons of labour, live for Jesus;
Be your work your worship too;
In His name, and to His glory,
Do whate'er you find to do,
Till this night of sin and sorrow
Be for ever overpassed,
And we see the golden morrow,
Home with Jesus, home at last.
AMEN.

261

'The night cometh, when no man can work.'

mf WORK, for the night is coming!
Work through the morning hours;
Work while the dew is sparkling;
Work 'mid springing flowers;
Work while the day grows brighter,
Under the glowing sun;
d Work, for the night is coming,
When man's work is done.

mf 2 Work, for the night is coming!
Work through the sunny noon;
Fill the bright hours with labour;
Rest comes sure and soon.
Give to each flying minute
Something to keep in store;
d Work, for the night is coming,
When man works no more.

mf 3 Work, for the night is coming!
m Under the sunset skies,
While their bright tints are glowing,
Work, for daylight flies.
Work till the last beam fadeth,
Fadeth to shine no more;
d Work while the night is darkening,
When man's work is o'er. AMEN.

Also Hymns 38-56, 115, 118, 421-428, 432, 433, 448-453.

TEMPTATION AND CONFLICT

262

'Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.'

mp JESUS, Lord of life and glory,
Bend from heaven Thy gracious ear;
While our waiting souls adore Thee,
Friend of helpless sinners, hear:
p By Thy mercy,
O deliver us, good Lord.

m 2 Taught by Thine unerring Spirit,
Boldly we draw nigh to God,
Only in Thy spotless merit,
Only through Thy precious blood:
p By Thy mercy,
O deliver us, good Lord.

mp 3 From the depth of nature's blindness,
From the hardening power of sin,
From all malice and unkindness,
From the pride that lurks within,
p By Thy mercy,
O deliver us, good Lord.

mp 4 When temptation sorely presses,
In the day of Satan's power,
In our times of deep distresses,
In each dark and trying hour,
p By Thy mercy,
O deliver us, good Lord.

m 5 When the world around is smiling,
In the time of wealth and ease,
Earthly joys our hearts beguiling,
In the day of health and peace,
p By Thy mercy,
O deliver us, good Lord.

mp 6 In the weary hours of sickness,
In the times of grief and pain,
When we feel our mortal weakness,
When the creature's help is vain,
p By Thy mercy,
O deliver us, good Lord.

pp 7 In the solemn hour of dying,
In the awful judgment day,
c May our souls, on Thee relying,
Find Thee still our Rock and Stay:
p By Thy mercy,
O deliver us, good Lord. AMEN.

263

'I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not.'

mp IN the hour of trial,
Jesus, pray for me,
Lest by base denial
I depart from Thee;
When Thou seest me waver,
With a look recall,
Nor for fear or favour
Suffer me to fall.

m 2 With its witching pleasures
Would this vain world charm,
Or its sordid treasures
Spread to work me harm,—
mp Bring to my remembrance
Sad Gethsemane,
p Or, in darker semblance,
Cross-crowned Calvary.

mp 3 If with sore affliction
Thou in love chastise,
Pour Thy benediction
On the sacrifice;
Then, upon Thine altar
Freely offered up,
Though the flesh may falter,
Faith shall drink the cup.

p 4 When in dust and ashes
To the grave I sink,
c While heaven's glory flashes
O'er the shelving brink,
m On Thy truth relying
Through that mortal strife,
Lord, receive me, dying,
To eternal life. AMEN.

264

'Watch and pray.'

mf CHRISTIAN, seek not yet repose;
Hear thy guardian angel say,
mp 'Thou art in the midst of foes:
Watch and pray.'

2 Principalities and powers,
Mustering their unseen array,
Wait for thy unguarded hours:
Watch and pray.

m 3 Gird thy heavenly armour on;
Wear it ever, night and day;
Ambushed lies the evil one:
Watch and pray.

4 Hear the victors who o'ercame;
Still they mark each warrior's way;
All with one sweet voice exclaim,
mp 'Watch and pray.'

m 5 Hear, above all, hear thy Lord,
Him thou lovest to obey;
Hide within thy heart His word,
'Watch and pray.'

mf 6 Watch, as if on that alone
Hung the issue of the day;
Pray, that help may be sent down:
Watch and pray. AMEN.

265

'They overcame by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.'

mf THE Son of God goes forth to war,
A kingly crown to gain;
His blood-red banner streams afar:
Who follows in His train?
m Who best can drink His cup of woe,
Triumphant over pain,
Who patient bears His cross below,
mf He follows in His train.

m 2 The martyr first, whose eagle eye
Could pierce beyond the grave,
Who saw his Master in the sky,
And called on Him to save:
mp Like Him, with pardon on his tongue
In midst of mortal pain,
He prayed for them that did the wrong:
mf Who follows in his train?

3 A glorious band, the chosen few
On whom the Spirit came,
Twelve valiant saints, their hope they knew
And mocked the cross and flame;
They met the tyrant's brandished steel,
The lion's gory mane,
d They bowed their necks the death to feel:
m Who follows in their train?

mf 4 A noble army, men and boys,
The matron and the maid,
Around the Saviour's throne rejoice,
In robes of light arrayed;
m They climbed the steep ascent of heaven,
Through peril, toil, and pain:
mp O God, to us may grace be given
To follow in their train. AMEN.

266

'I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.'

m O WHAT, if we are Christ's,
Is earthly shame or loss?
mf Bright shall the crown of glory be
When we have borne the cross.

mp 2 Keen was the trial once,
Bitter the cup of woe,
When martyred saints, baptized in blood,
Christ's sufferings shared below.

mf 3 Bright is their glory now,
Boundless their joy above,
Where, on the bosom of their God,
They rest in perfect love.

m 4 Lord, may that grace be ours,
Like them, in faith to bear
All that of sorrow, grief, or pain
May be our portion here:

5 Enough if Thou at last
The word of blessing give,
c And let us rest beneath Thy feet,
Where saints and angels live!
AMEN.

267

'A good soldier of Jesus Christ.'

mf STAND up! stand up for Jesus!
Ye soldiers of the cross;
Lift high His royal banner;
It must not suffer loss.
f From victory to victory
His army He shall lead,
Till every foe is vanquished,
And Christ is Lord indeed.

mf 2 Stand up! stand up for Jesus!
The trumpet-call obey;
Forth to the mighty conflict
In this His glorious day!
Ye that are men, now serve Him
Against unnumbered foes;
Your courage rise with danger,
And strength to strength oppose.

3 Stand up! stand up for Jesus!
Stand in His strength alone;
mp The arm of flesh will fail you;
Ye dare not trust your own.
m Put on the gospel armour,
Each piece put on with prayer;
Where duty calls, or danger,
Be never wanting there.

mf 4 Stand up! stand up for Jesus!
m The strife will not be long;
This day the noise of battle,
mf The next the victor's song.
f To him that overcometh
A crown of life shall be;
He with the King of Glory
Shall reign eternally. AMEN.

268

'The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?'

mf GOD is my strong salvation;
What foe have I to fear?
In darkness and temptation
My light, my help is near.

2 Though hosts encamp around me,
Firm to the fight I stand;
What terror can confound me,
With God at my right hand?

m 3 Place on the Lord reliance;
My soul, with courage wait;
His truth be thine affiance,
When faint and desolate.

mf 4 His might thine heart shall strengthen,
His love thy joy increase;
Mercy thy days shall lengthen;
The Lord will give thee peace.
AMEN.

269

'Who is on the Lord's side?'

mf WHO is on the Lord's side?
Who will serve the King?
Who will be His helpers
Other lives to bring?
Who will leave the world's side?
Who will face the foe?
Who is on the Lord's side?
Who for Him will go?
f By Thy call of mercy,
By Thy grace Divine,
We are on the Lord's side;
Saviour, we are Thine.

m 2 Jesus, Thou hast bought us,
Not with gold or gem,
But with Thine own life-blood,
For Thy diadem.
mf With Thy blessing filling
Each who comes to Thee,
Thou hast made us willing,
Thou hast made us free.
f By Thy grand redemption,
By Thy grace Divine,
We are on the Lord's side;
Saviour, we are Thine.

m 3 Fierce may be the conflict,
Strong may be the foe,
mf But the King's own army
None can overthrow.
Round His standard ranging,
Victory is secure,
For His truth unchanging
Makes the triumph sure.
f Joyfully enlisting,
By Thy grace Divine,
We are on the Lord's side;
Saviour, we are Thine.

m 4 Chosen to be soldiers
In an alien land,
Chosen, called, and faithful,
For our Captain's band,
mf In the service royal
Let us not grow cold;
Let us be right loyal,
Noble, true, and bold.
Master, Thou wilt keep us,
By Thy grace Divine,
Always on the Lord's side,
Saviour, always Thine. AMEN.

270

'Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.'

mf SOLDIERS of Christ! arise,
And put your armour on,
Strong in the strength which God supplies
Through His eternal Son.

2 Strong in the Lord of hosts,
And in His mighty power,
Who in the strength of Jesus trusts
Is more than conqueror.

3 Stand, then, in His great might,
With all His strength endued;
And take, to arm you for the fight,
The panoply of God.

4 To keep your armour bright
Attend with constant care,
Still walking in your Captain's sight,
And watching unto prayer.

5 From strength to strength go on;
Wrestle, and fight, and pray;
Tread all the powers of darkness down,
And win the well-fought day,—

6 That, having all things done,
And all your conflicts passed,
f Ye may o'ercome through Christ alone,
And stand complete at last.
AMEN.

271

'Wherefore should I fear in the days of evil?'

mf WHY should I fear the darkest hour,
Or tremble at the tempter's power?
Jesus vouchsafes to be my tower.

f 2 Though hot the fight, why quit the field?
Why must I either flee or yield,
Since Jesus is my mighty shield?

mp 3 Though all the flocks and herds were dead,
mf My soul a famine need not dread,
For Jesus is my living bread.

m 4 I know not what may soon betide,
Or how my wants shall be supplied;
mf But Jesus knows, and will provide.

mp 5 Though sin would fill me with distress,
m The throne of grace I dare address,
For Jesus is my righteousness.

mp 6 Though faint my prayers and cold my love,
m My steadfast hope shall not remove,
While Jesus intercedes above.

mp 7 Against me earth and hell combine,
f But on my side is power Divine:
Jesus is all, and He is mine. AMEN.

272

'Be strong and of a good courage . . and the Lord, He it is that doth go before thee.'

mf ONWARD! Christian soldiers,
Marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus
Going on before.

Christ, the Royal Master,
Leads against the foe;
Forward into battle,
See! His banners go.

f *Onward! Christian soldiers,*
Marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus
Going on before.

mf 2 At the sign of triumph
Satan's legions flee;
On then, Christian soldiers,
On to victory!
Hell's foundations quiver
At the shout of praise;
Brothers, lift your voices,
Loud your anthems raise.

m 3 Like a mighty army
Moves the Church of God;
Brothers, we are treading
Where the saints have trod.
We are not divided,
All one body we,
One in hope, in doctrine,
One in charity.

mp 4 Crowns and thrones may perish,
Kingdoms rise and wane,
m But the Church of Jesus
Constant will remain;
f Gates of hell can never
'Gainst that Church prevail;
We have Christ's own promise,
And that cannot fail.

mf 5 Onward, then, ye people!
Join our happy throng;
Blend with ours your voices
In the triumph song,
ff 'Glory, laud, and honour
Unto Christ the King!'
This through countless ages
Men and angels sing.

AMEN.

273

'Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.'

mf COURAGE, brother! do not stumble,
Though thy path be dark as night;
There 's a star to guide the humble:
'Trust in God, and do the right.'
m Let the road be rough and dreary,
And its end far out of sight,
mf Foot it bravely; strong or weary,
Trust in God, and do the right.

2 Perish policy and cunning,
Perish all that fears the light!
Whether losing, whether winning,
Trust in God, and do the right.
m Trust no party, sect, or faction;
Trust no leaders in the fight;
f But in every word and action
Trust in God, and do the right.

m 3 Trust no lovely forms of passion,—
Fiends may look like angels bright;
Trust no custom, school, or fashion:
f Trust in God, and do the right.
m Some will hate thee, some will love thee,
Some will flatter, some will slight;
mf Cease from man, and look above thee:
Trust in God, and do the right.

m 4 Simple rule, and safest guiding,
Inward peace, and inward might,
Star upon our path abiding,—
Trust in God, and do the right.
mf Courage, brother! do not stumble,
Though thy path be dark as night;
There 's a star to guide the humble:
f 'Trust in God, and do the right.'

AMEN.

274

'I will go in the strength of the Lord God.'

m I WILL go in the strength of the Lord
In the path He hath marked for my feet;
I will follow the light of His word,
Nor shrink from the dangers I meet.
His presence my steps shall attend;
His fulness my wants shall supply;
On Him, till my journey shall end,
My hope shall securely rely.

2 I will go in the strength of the Lord
To the work He appoints me to do;
In the joy which His smile shall afford
My soul shall her vigour renew.
His power will protect me from harm,
His grace my sufficiency prove;
I will trust His omnipotent arm,
I will rest in His covenant love.

3 I will go in the strength of the Lord
To each conflict which faith may require;
His grace, as my shield and reward,
My courage and zeal shall inspire.

mf If He issue the word of command
To meet and encounter the foe,
Though with sling and with stone in my hand,
In the strength of the Lord I will go. AMEN.

275

'Fight the good fight of faith.'

m MUCH in sorrow, oft in woe,
Onward, Christians, onward go!
Fight the fight, though worn with strife,
Strengthened with the bread of life.

mf 2 Onward, Christians, onward go!
Join the war, and face the foe;
Faint not! much doth yet remain,
Dreary is the long campaign.

3 Shrink not, Christians! will ye yield?
Will ye quit the painful field?
Will ye flee in danger's hour?
Know ye not your Captain's power?

4 Let your drooping hearts be glad;
March, in heavenly armour clad;
f Fight, nor think the battle long,
Victory soon shall tune your song.

mf 5 Let not sorrow dim your eye,
Soon shall every tear be dry;
Let not fears your course impede,
Great your strength, if great your need.

f 6 Onward then to battle move;
More than conquerors ye shall prove;
Though opposed by many a foe,
Christian soldiers, onward go!
AMEN.

Also Hymns
39, 54, 55, 246, 248, 252.

TRUST AND RESIGNATION

276

'Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord.'

m YOUR harps, ye trembling saints,
Down from the willows take:
mf Loud to the praise of love Divine
Bid every string awake.

m 2 Though in a foreign land,
We are not far from home;
c And nearer to our house above
We every moment come.

mf 3 His grace will to the end
Stronger and brighter shine;
Nor present things nor things to come
Shall quench the spark Divine.

mp 4 When we in darkness walk,
Nor feel the heavenly flame,
m Then is the time to trust our God,
And rest upon His name.

mf 5 Soon shall our doubts and fears
Subside at His control;
His loving-kindness shall break through
The midnight of the soul.

m 6 Wait till the shadows flee;
Wait thy appointed hour;
Wait till the Bridegroom of thy soul
Reveals His love with power.

f 7 Blest is the man, O God,
That stays himself on Thee:
Who wait for Thy salvation, Lord,
Shall Thy salvation see. AMEN.

277

'Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee.'

m COMMIT thou all thy griefs
And ways into His hands,
To His sure truth and tender care,
Who earth and heaven commands.

2 Who points the clouds their course,
Whom winds and seas obey,
He shall direct thy wandering feet,
He shall prepare thy way.

mf 3 Thou on the Lord rely,
So safe shalt thou go on;
Fix on His work thy steadfast eye,
So shall thy work be done.

m 4 No profit canst thou gain
By self-consuming care;
To Him commend thy cause; His ear
Attends the softest prayer.

mf 5 Give to the winds thy fears;
Hope, and be undismayed;
m God hears thy sighs and counts thy tears;
God shall lift up thy head.

mp 6 Through waves and clouds and storms
He gently clears thy way:
c Wait thou His time; so shall this night
Soon end in joyous day.

mf 7 Leave to His sovereign sway
To choose and to command;
So shalt thou, wondering, own His way
How wise, how strong His hand.
AMEN.

278

'Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass.'

m IF thou but suffer God to guide thee,
And hope in Him through all thy ways,
He'll give thee strength, whate'er betide thee,
And bear thee through the evil days;
mf Who trusts in God's unchanging love
Builds on the rock that nought can move.

mp 2 What can these anxious cares avail thee,
These never-ceasing moans and sighs?
What can it help if thou bewail thee
O'er each dark moment as it flies?
Our cross and trials do but press
The heavier for our bitterness.

m 3 Only be still, and wait His leisure
In cheerful hope, with heart content
To take whate'er thy Father's pleasure
And all-discerning love have sent;
Nor doubt our inmost wants are known
To Him who chose us for His own.

4 All are alike before the Highest;
'T is easy for our God, we know,
To raise thee up though low thou liest,
To make the rich man poor and low;
True wonders still by Him are wrought
Who setteth up and brings to nought.

mf 5 Sing, pray, and keep His ways unswerving;
So do thine own part faithfully,
And trust His word,—though undeserving,
Thou yet shalt find it true for thee;
God never yet forsook at need
The soul that trusted Him indeed.
AMEN.

279

'The Lord shall give thee rest from thy sorrow.'

m O LET him whose sorrow
No relief can find
Trust in God, and borrow
Ease for heart and mind.

mp 2 Where the mourner, weeping,
Sheds the secret tear,
m God His watch is keeping,
Though none else be near.

3 God will never leave thee;
All thy wants He knows,
Feels the pains that grieve thee,
Sees thy cares and woes.

mp 4 If in grief thou languish,
m He will dry the tear
Who His children's anguish
Soothes with succour near.

5 All thy woe and sadness,
In this world below,
Balance not the gladness
Thou in heaven shalt know,

mf 6 When thy gracious Saviour,
In the realms above,
Crowns thee with His favour,
Fills thee with His love. AMEN.

280

'All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth.'

m WHATE'ER my God ordains is right:
Holy His will abideth;
I will be still whate'er He do'th,
And follow where He guideth.

mf He is my God;
Though dark my road,
He holds me that I shall not fall,
Wherefore to Him I leave it all.

m 2 Whate'er my God ordains is right:
He never will deceive me;
He leads me by the proper path;
I know He will not leave me,
And take, content,
What He hath sent;
His hand can turn my griefs away,
And patiently I wait His day.

mp 3 Whate'er my God ordains is right:
Though now this cup in drinking
May bitter seem to my faint heart,
I take it, all unshrinking.
c Tears pass away
With dawn of day;
mf Sweet comfort yet shall fill my heart,
And pain and sorrow shall depart.

4 Whate'er my God ordains is right:
Here shall my stand be taken;
Though sorrow, need, or death be mine,
Yet am I not forsaken;
My Father's care
Is round me there;
He holds me that I shall not fall,
And so to Him I leave it all. AMEN.

281

'He hath done all things well.'

m THROUGH the love of God our Saviour
All will be well.
Free and changeless is His favour;
All, all is well.
mf Precious is the blood that healed us,
Perfect is the grace that sealed us,
Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us;
All must be well.

mp 2 Though we pass through tribulation,
All will be well.
Ours is such a full salvation,
All, all is well.
m Happy, still in God confiding,
Fruitful, if in Christ abiding,
Holy, through the Spirit's guiding;
All must be well.

mf 3 We expect a bright to-morrow;
All will be well.
Faith can sing through days of sorrow,
'All, all is well.'
On our Father's love relying,
Jesus every need supplying,
Or in living or in dying,
All must be well. AMEN.

282

'The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?'

mf ETERNAL Beam of Light Divine,
Fountain of unexhausted love,
In whom the Father's glories shine
Through earth beneath and heaven above!

mp 2 Jesus, the weary wanderer's Rest,
Give me Thy easy yoke to bear;
With steadfast patience arm my breast,
With spotless love and lowly fear.

3 Thankful I take the cup from Thee,
Prepared and mingled by Thy skill,—
Though bitter to the taste it be,
Powerful the wounded soul to heal.

m 4 Be Thou, O Rock of Ages, nigh;
So shall each murmuring thought be gone,
And grief and fear and care shall fly
As clouds before the mid-day sun.

mp 5 Speak to my warring passions peace;
Say to my trembling heart, 'Be still':
m Thy power my strength and fortress is,
For all things serve Thy sovereign will.

mf 6 O death, where is thy sting? where now
Thy boasted victory, O grave?
Who shall contend with God, or who
Can hurt whom God delights to save? AMEN.

283

'Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life, or by death.'

m LORD, it belongs not to my care
Whether I die or live;
To love and serve Thee is my share,
And this Thy grace must give.

2 If life be long, I will be glad,
That I may long obey;
If short, yet why should I be sad
To welcome endless day?

3 Christ leads me through no darker rooms
Than He went through before;
He that into God's kingdom comes
Must enter by this door.

mf 4 Come, Lord, when grace hath made me meet
Thy blessèd face to see;
For, if Thy work on earth be sweet,
What will Thy glory be?

5 Then I shall end my sad complaints,
And weary, sinful days,
And join with the triumphant saints
That sing Jehovah's praise.

m 6 My knowledge of that life is small,
The eye of faith is dim;
mf But 't is enough that Christ knows all,
And I shall be with Him. AMEN.

284 *'In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.'*

mp WHEN I survey life's varied scene
Amid the darkest hours,
Sweet rays of comfort shine between,
And thorns are mixed with flowers.

2 Lord, teach me to adore Thy hand,
From whence my comforts flow,
And let me in this desert land
A glimpse of Canaan know.

3 And O, whate'er of earthly bliss
Thy sovereign will denies,
Accepted at Thy throne of grace
Let this petition rise:

m 4 'Give me a calm, a thankful heart,
From every murmur free;
The blessings of Thy grace impart,
And let me live to Thee;

c 5 'Let the sweet hope that Thou art mine
My path of life attend,
mf Thy presence through my journey shine
And bless its happy end.' AMEN.

285 *'Not what I will, but what Thou wilt.'*

m THY way, not mine, O Lord,
However dark it be!
Lead me by Thine own hand;
Choose out the path for me.

2 Smooth let it be or rough,
It will be still the best;
Winding or straight, it leads
Right onward to Thy rest.

3 I dare not choose my lot,
I would not if I might:
Choose Thou for me, my God;
So shall I walk aright.

4 The kingdom that I seek
Is Thine; so let the way
That leads to it be Thine,
Else I must surely stray.

5 Take Thou my cup, and it
With joy or sorrow fill
As best to Thee may seem:
Choose Thou my good and ill;

6 Choose Thou for me my friends,
My sickness or my health;
Choose Thou my cares for me,
My poverty or wealth.

mf 7 Not mine, not mine the choice
In things or great or small;
c Be Thou my Guide, my Strength,
My Wisdom, and my All. AMEN.

286 *'I pray not that Thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that Thou shouldest keep them from the evil.'*

mp I DO not ask, O Lord, that life may be
A pleasant road;
I do not ask that Thou wouldst take from me
Aught of its load.

2 I do not ask that flowers should always spring
Beneath my feet;
I know too well the poison and the sting
Of things too sweet.

m 3 For one thing only, Lord, dear Lord, I plead:
Lead me aright,
d Though strength should falter and though heart should bleed,
c Through peace to light.

m 4 I do not ask, O Lord, that Thou shouldst shed
Full radiance here;
Give but a ray of peace, that I may tread
Without a fear.

mp 5 I do not ask my cross to understand,
My way to see;
Better in darkness just to feel Thy hand,
And follow Thee.

m 6 Joy is like restless day, but peace Divine
Like quiet night;
p Lead me, O Lord, till perfect day shall shine
Through peace to light.
AMEN.

287

'Be ye followers of God, as dear children.'

mp QUIET, Lord, my froward heart;
Make me teachable and mild,
Upright, simple, free from art;
Make me as a weanèd child,
m From distrust and envy free,
Pleased with all that pleases Thee.

2 What Thou shalt to-day provide
Let me as a child receive,
What to-morrow may betide
Calmly to Thy wisdom leave:
mf 'T is enough that Thou wilt care;
Why should I the burden bear?

mp 3 As a little child relies
On a care beyond his own,
Knows he 's neither strong nor wise,
Fears to stir a step alone.—
m Let me thus with Thee abide,
As my Father, Guard, and Guide.

4 Thus preserved from Satan's wiles,
Safe from dangers, free from fears,
May I live upon Thy smiles,
Till the promised hour appears
mf When the sons of God shall prove
All their Father's boundless love.
AMEN.

288

'My times are in Thy hand.'

mp MY times are in Thy hand:
My God, I wish them there;
My life, my friends, my soul I leave
Entirely to Thy care.

2 My times are in Thy hand,
Whatever they may be,
Pleasing or painful, dark or bright,
As best may seem to Thee.

m 3 My times are in Thy hand:
Why should I doubt or fear?
My Father's hand will never cause
His child a needless tear.

mp 4 My times are in Thy hand,
Jesus, the Crucified;
Those hands my cruel sins had pierced
Are now my guard and guide.

mf 5 My times are in Thy hand:
I 'll always trust in Thee;
And, after death, at Thy right hand
I shall for ever be. AMEN.

289

'I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content.'

mp FATHER, I know that all my life
Is portioned out for me;
And the changes that are sure to come
I do not fear to see;
m But I ask Thee for a present mind,
Intent on pleasing Thee.

2 I ask Thee for a thoughtful love,
Through constant watching wise,
To meet the glad with joyful smiles,
And to wipe the weeping eyes,
And a heart at leisure from itself,
To soothe and sympathize.

3 I would not have the restless will
That hurries to and fro,
Seeking for some great thing to do,
Or secret thing to know;
I would be treated as a child,
And guided where I go.

4 Wherever in the world I am,
In whatsoe'er estate,
I have a fellowship with hearts
To keep and cultivate,
And a work of lowly love to do.
For the Lord on whom I wait.

5 So I ask Thee for the daily strength
To none that ask denied,
And a mind to blend with outward life
While keeping at Thy side,
Content to fill a little space
If Thou be glorified.

6 And if some things I do not ask
In my cup of blessing be,
I would have my spirit filled the more
With grateful love to Thee.
More careful, not to serve Thee much,
But to please Thee perfectly.

7 There are briers besetting every path,
That call for patient care;
There is a cross in every lot,
And an earnest need for prayer;
c But a lowly heart, that leans on Thee,
Is happy anywhere.

mf 8 In a service which Thy will appoints
There are no bonds for me;
For my inmost heart is taught the truth
That makes Thy children free;
And a life of self-renouncing love
Is a life of liberty. AMEN.

290

'Thy will be done.'

mp MY God and Father, while I stray
Far from my home in life's rough way,
O teach me from my heart to say,
'Thy will be done.'

2 Though dark my path and sad my lot,
Let me be still and murmur not,
Or breathe the prayer Divinely taught,
'Thy will be done.'

3 What though in lonely grief I sigh
For friends beloved, no longer nigh,
Submissive still would I reply,
'Thy will be done.'

4 If Thou shouldst call me to resign
What most I prize, it ne'er was mine,
I only yield Thee what was Thine:
Thy will be done.

5 Should pining sickness waste away
My life in premature decay,
My Father, still I strive to say,
'Thy will be done.'

m 6 Let but my fainting heart be blest
With Thy sweet Spirit for its guest,
My God, to Thee I leave the rest:
Thy will be done.

7 Renew my will from day to day;
Blend it with Thine; and take away
All that now makes it hard to say,
'Thy will be done.'

8 Then, when on earth I breathe no more
The prayer oft mixed with tears before,
mf I'll sing upon a happier shore,
'Thy will be done.'
AMEN.

291

'That ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God.'

mp I BOW to thee, sweet Will of God,
And all thy ways adore,
c And every day I live I seem
To love thee more and more.

m 2 I have no cares, O blessèd Will,
For all my cares are thine;
mf I live in triumph, Lord, for Thou
Hast made Thy triumphs mine.

m 3 Man's weakness waiting upon God
Its end can never miss,
For men on earth no work can do
More angel-like than this.

4 Ill that He blesses is our good,
And unblest good is ill;
mf And all is right that seems most wrong,
If it be His sweet Will. AMEN.

292

'Return unto thy rest, O my soul; for the Lord hath dealt bountifully with thee.'

mp BE still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side;
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
Leave to thy God to order and provide;
In every change He faithful will remain.
m Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heavenly Friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

mp 2 Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake
To guide the future as He has the past.
m Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake;
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.
mp Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below.

p 3 Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart,
And all is darkened in the vale of tears,
mp Then shalt thou better know His love, His heart,
Who comes to soothe thy sorrow and thy fears.
m Be still, my soul: thy Jesus can repay
From His own fulness all He takes away.

4 Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on
When we shall be for ever with the Lord,
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,
mf All safe and blessed we shall meet at last. AMEN.

Also Hymns 16-22, 212, 219-227.

PILGRIMAGE AND REST

293

'The fellowship of His sufferings.'

mf O HAPPY band of pilgrims,
If onward ye will tread
With Jesus as your Fellow
To Jesus as your Head!

m 2 O happy if ye labour
As Jesus did for men;
O happy if ye hunger
As Jesus hungered then!

mp 3 The cross that Jesus carried
He carried as your due;
mf The crown that Jesus weareth,
He weareth it for you.

m 4 The faith by which ye see Him,
The hope in which ye yearn,
The love that through all troubles
To Him alone will turn,—

mf 5 What are they but the heralds
To lead you to His sight?
What are they save the effluence
Of uncreated light?

mp 6 The trials that beset you,
The sorrows ye endure,
The manifold temptations
That death alone can cure,—

mf 7 What are they but His jewels
Of right celestial worth?
What are they but the ladder
Set up to heaven on earth?

f 8 O happy band of pilgrims,
Look upward to the skies,
Where such a light affliction
Shall win you such a prize. AMEN.

294

'The Lord our God be with us, as He was with our fathers.'

m O GOD of Bethel, by whose hand
Thy people still are fed,
Who through this weary pilgrimage
Hast all our fathers led,

2 Our vows, our prayers we now present
Before Thy throne of grace;
God of our fathers, be the God
Of their succeeding race.

3 Through each perplexing path of life
Our wandering footsteps guide;
Give us each day our daily bread,
And raiment fit provide.

4 O spread Thy covering wings around,
Till all our wanderings cease,
And at our Father's loved abode
Our souls arrive in peace.

5 Such blessings from Thy gracious hand
Our humble prayers implore;
mf And Thou shalt be our chosen God,
And portion evermore. AMEN.

295

'Thou leddest them in the day by a cloudy pillar; and in the night by a pillar of fire.'

m GUIDE me, O Thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but Thou art mighty;
Hold me with Thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven,
Feed me till my want is o'er.

2 Open now the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through:
mf Strong Deliverer,
Be Thou still my strength and shield.

mp 3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
m Death of death, and hell's Destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan's side:
f Songs of praises
I will ever give to Thee. AMEN.

296

'My presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest.'

m JESUS, still lead on,
Till our rest be won,
And, although the way be cheerless,
We will follow calm and fearless;
Guide us by Thy hand
To our fatherland.

mp 2 If the way be drear,
If the foe be near,
m Let not faithless fears o'ertake us,
Let not faith and hope forsake us,
For, through many a foe,
To our home we go.

mp 3 When we seek relief
From a long-felt grief,
When oppressed by new temptations,
Lord, increase and perfect patience;
m Show us that bright shore
Where we weep no more.

mf 4 Jesus, still lead on,
Till our rest be won;
Heavenly Leader, still direct us,
Still support, console, protect us,
Till we safely stand
In our fatherland. AMEN.

297

'I am the light of the world: he that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.'

mp LEAD, kindly Light, amid the encircling gloom,
Lead Thou me on;
The night is dark, and I am far from home;
Lead Thou me on.

m Keep Thou my feet; I do not ask to see
The distant scene,—one step enough for me.

mp 2 I was not ever thus, nor prayed that Thou
Shouldst lead me on;
I loved to choose and see my path, but now
Lead Thou me on;
I loved the garish day, and, spite of fears,
Pride ruled my will: (*p*) remember not past years.

mf 3 So long Thy power hath blest me, sure it still
Will lead me on
O'er moor and fen, o'er crag and torrent, till
The night is gone,
c And with the morn those angel faces smile
d Which I have loved long since, and lost awhile. AMEN.

298

'Lead me in Thy truth, and teach me.'

m LEAD us, O Father, in the paths of peace:
mp Without Thy guiding hand we go astray,
And doubts appal, and sorrows still increase;
m Lead us through Christ, the true and living Way.

2 Lead us, O Father, in the paths of truth:
mp Unhelped by Thee, in error's maze we grope,
While passion stains and folly dims our youth,
And age comes on uncheered by faith or hope.

m 3 Lead us, O Father, in the paths of right:
mp Blindly we stumble when we walk alone,
Involved in shadows of a darkening night;
m Only with Thee we journey safely on.

4 Lead us, O Father, to Thy heavenly rest,
However rough and steep the pathway be,
c Through joy or sorrow, as Thou deemest best,
Until our lives are perfected in Thee. AMEN.

299

'The redeemed of the Lord shall return, and come with singing unto Zion.'

mf CHILDREN of the heavenly King,
As ye journey, sweetly sing;
Sing your Saviour's worthy praise,
Glorious in His works and ways.

m 2 We are travelling home to God
In the way the fathers trod;
They are happy now, and we
Soon their happiness shall see.

f 3 Shout, ye little flock and blest;
You on Jesus' throne shall rest;
There your seat is now prepared,
There your kingdom and reward.

4 Lift your eyes, you sons of light;
Zion's city is in sight;
There our endless home shall be,
There our Lord we soon shall see.

5 Fear not, brethren; joyful stand
On the borders of your land;
Jesus Christ, your Father's Son,
Bids you undismayed go on.

m 6 Lord, obediently we go,
Gladly leaving all below;
mf Only Thou our Leader be,
And we still will follow Thee.
AMEN.

300

'Thou shalt guide me with Thy counsel, and afterward receive me to glory.'

m LIGHT of the world, whose kind and gentle care
Is joy and rest,
Whose counsels and commands so gracious are,
Wisest and best!
Shine on my path, dear Lord, and guard the way,
d Lest my poor heart, forgetting, go astray.

m 2 Lord of my life, my soul's most pure desire,
Its hope and peace,
Let not the faith Thy loving words inspire
Falter or cease;
But be to me true Friend, my chief delight,
And safely guide, that every step be right.

mf 3 My blessèd Lord, what bliss to feel
Thee near,
Faithful and true;
To trust in Thee without one doubt or fear;
Thy will to do;
And all the while to know that Thou, our Friend,
Art blessing, and wilt bless us to the end!

mp 4 And then, O then, when sorrow's night is o'er,
Life's daylight come,
m And we are safe within heaven's golden door,
At home, at home,
mf How full of glad rejoicing will we raise,
Saviour, to Thee our everlasting praise! AMEN.

301

'When shall I come and appear before God?'

p FAR from my heavenly home,
Far from my Father's breast,
Fainting I cry, (*c*) 'Blest Spirit, come,
And speed me to my rest.'

mp 2 Upon the willows long
My harp has silent hung:
How should I sing a cheerful song
Till Thou inspire my tongue?

m 3 My spirit homeward turns,
And fain would thither flee;
p My heart, O Zion, droops and yearns
When I remember thee.

mp 4 To thee, to thee I press,
A dark and toilsome road;
c When shall I pass the wilderness,
And reach the saints' abode?

m 5 God of my life, be near;
On Thee my hopes I cast;
O guide me through the desert here,
And bring me home at last.
AMEN.

302

'The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob . . this is My name for ever, and this is My memorial unto all generations.'

mf THE God of Abraham praise,
Who reigns enthroned above,
Ancient of everlasting days,
And God of love.

m Jehovah! Great I AM!
By earth and heaven confessed,
mp I bow and bless the sacred name
For ever blest.

mf 2 The God of Abraham praise,
At whose supreme command
From earth I rise, and seek the joys
At His right hand.
I all on earth forsake—
Its wisdom, fame, and power—
And Him my only portion make,
My shield and tower.

3 The God of Abraham praise,
Whose all-sufficient grace
Shall guide me all my happy days
In all my ways.
mp He calls a worm His friend,
m He calls Himself my God;
And He shall save me to the end
Through Jesus' blood.

mf 4 He by Himself hath sworn,
I on His oath depend:
I shall, on eagle's wings upborne,
To heaven ascend;
f I shall behold His face,
I shall His power adore,
And sing the wonders of His grace
For evermore.

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mp 5 Though nature's strength decay,
And earth and hell withstand,
m To Canaan's bounds I urge my way
At His command;
The watery deep I pass
With Jesus in my view,
And through the howling wilderness
My way pursue.

mf 6 The goodly land I see,
With peace and plenty blest,
A land of sacred liberty
And endless rest;
There milk and honey flow,
And oil and wine abound,
And trees of life for ever grow,
With mercy crowned.

f 7 There dwells the Lord our King,
The Lord our Righteousness;
Triumphant o'er the world and sin,
The Prince of Peace
On Zion's sacred height
His kingdom still maintains,
And glorious with His saints in light
For ever reigns.

ff 8 The whole triumphant host
Give thanks to God on high;
'Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!'
They ever cry.
Hail, Abraham's God, and mine!
I join the heavenly lays;
All might and majesty are Thine,
And endless praise. AMEN.

303

'They confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.'

m I'M but a stranger here,
Heaven is my home;
mp Earth is a desert drear,
Heaven is my home;
Danger and sorrow stand
Round me on every hand;
mf Heaven is my fatherland,
Heaven is my home.

m 2 What though the tempest rage,
Heaven is my home;
Short is my pilgrimage,
Heaven is my home;
And time's wild wintry blast
Soon will be overpassed;
mf I shall reach home at last,
Heaven is my home.

3 There at my Saviour's side—
Heaven is my home—
I shall be glorified,
Heaven is my home;
m There are the good and blest,
Those I love most and best;
mp And there I too shall rest,
Heaven is my home.

m 4 Therefore I murmur not,
Heaven is my home;
Whate'er my earthly lot,
Heaven is my home;
mf And I shall surely stand
There at my Lord's right hand;
Heaven is my fatherland,
Heaven is my home. AMEN.

304

'Now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.'

mp ONE sweetly solemn thought
Comes to me o'er and o'er:
c I am nearer home to-day
Than I ever have been before;

m 2 Nearer my Father's house
Where the many mansions be,
Nearer the great white throne,
Nearer the crystal sea;

mp 3 Nearer the bound of life,
Where we lay our burdens down;
Nearer leaving the cross,
c Nearer gaining the crown.

p 4 But lying darkly between,
Winding down through the night,
Is the dim and unknown stream
That leads at last to the light.

m 5 Father, perfect my trust;
Strengthen the might of my faith;
mp Let me feel as I would when I stand
On the rock of the shore of death,—

6 Feel as I would when my feet
Are slipping o'er the brink;
p For it may be I'm nearer home,
Nearer now, than I think. AMEN.

305

'The time is short.'

p A FEW more years shall roll,
A few more seasons come,
And we shall be with those that rest
Asleep within the tomb:
mp Then, O my Lord, prepare
My soul for that great day;
O wash me in Thy precious blood,
And take my sins away.

p 2 A few more suns shall set
O'er these dark hills of time,
And we shall be where suns are not,—
A far serener clime:
mp Then, O my Lord, prepare
My soul for that bright day;
O wash me in Thy precious blood,
And take my sins away.

p 3 A few more storms shall beat
On this wild rocky shore,
And we shall be where tempests cease,
And surges swell no more:
mp Then, O my Lord, prepare
My soul for that calm day;
O wash me in Thy precious blood,
And take my sins away.

p 4 A few more struggles here,
A few more partings o'er,
A few more toils, a few more tears,
c And we shall weep no more:
mp Then, O my Lord, prepare
My soul for that blest day;
O wash me in Thy precious blood,
And take my sins away.

m 5 A few more Sabbaths here
Shall cheer us on our way,
mf And we shall reach the endless rest,
The eternal Sabbath day:
mp Then, O my Lord, prepare
My soul for that sweet day;
O wash me in Thy precious blood,
And take my sins away.

m 6 'T is but a little while
And He shall come again
c Who died that we might live, who lives
That we with Him may reign:
mp Then, O my Lord, prepare
My soul for that glad day;
O wash me in Thy precious blood,
And take my sins away. AMEN.

306

'Thine eyes shall see the King in His beauty: they shall behold the land that is very far off.'

mp THE sands of time are sinking;
The dawn of heaven breaks;
The summer morn I've sighed for,
c The fair, sweet morn, awakes.
p Dark, dark hath been the midnight,
m But dayspring is at hand,
mf And glory, glory dwelleth
In Immanuel's land.

m 2 O Christ! He is the fountain,
The deep, sweet well of love;
The streams on earth I've tasted
More deep I'll drink above;
mf There to an ocean fulness
His mercy doth expand,
f And glory, glory dwelleth
In Immanuel's land.

m 3 O, I am my Belovèd's,
And my Beloved is mine;
mp He brings a poor vile sinner
Into His house of wine.
mf I stand upon His merit;
I know no other stand,
Not even where glory dwelleth
In Immanuel's land.

m 4 The bride eyes not her garment,
But her dear bridegroom's face;
I will not gaze at glory,
But on my King of grace,—
Not at the crown He giveth,
mp But on His piercèd hand:
mf The Lamb is all the glory
Of Immanuel's land.

mp 5 With mercy and with judgment
My web of time He wove,
And aye the dews of sorrow
Were lustred by His love;
mf I'll bless the hand that guided,
I'll bless the heart that planned,
c When throned where glory dwelleth
In Immanuel's land.

m 6 I've wrestled on towards heaven,
'Gainst storm and wind and tide;
mp Now, like a weary traveller
That leaneth on his guide,
d Amid the shades of evening,
While sinks life's lingering sand,
mf I hail the glory dawning
In Immanuel's land. AMEN.

307

'So shall we ever be with the Lord'

mp FOR ever with the Lord!
Amen, so let it be:
mf Life from the dead is in that word,
'T is immortality.
p Here in the body pent,
Absent from Him I roam,
c Yet nightly pitch my moving tent
A day's march nearer home.

m 2 My Father's house on high,
Home of my soul, how near
At times, to faith's foreseeing eye,
Thy golden gates appear!
mp Ah! then my spirit faints
To reach the land I love,
c The bright inheritance of saints,
Jerusalem above.

m 3 For ever with the Lord!
Father, if 't is Thy will,
The promise of that faithful word
Even here to me fulfil.
mf Be Thou at my right hand,
Then can I never fail;
Uphold Thou me, and I shall stand;
Fight, and I must prevail.

p 4 So, when my latest breath
Shall rend the veil in twain,
mf By death I shall escape from death,
And life eternal gain.
m Knowing as I am known,
How shall I love that word,
f And oft repeat before the throne,
'For ever with the Lord!' AMEN.

308

'With gladness and rejoicing shall they be brought; they shall enter into the King's palace.'

mp HARK! hark, my soul! angelic songs are swelling
O'er earth's green fields and ocean's wave-beat shore:
m How sweet the truth those blessèd strains are telling
Of that new life when sin shall be no more.
mf *Angels of Jesus, angels of light,*
Singing to welcome the pilgrims of the night!

m 2 Onward we go, for still we hear them singing,
p 'Come, weary souls, for Jesus bids you come';
m And through the dark, its echoes sweetly ringing,
The music of the gospel leads us home.

mp 3 Far, far away, like bells at evening pealing,
The voice of Jesus sounds o'er land and sea,
And laden souls, by thousands meekly stealing,
Kind Shepherd, turn their weary steps to Thee.

m 4 Rest comes at length; though life be long and dreary,
The day must dawn, and darksome night be past;
Faith's journey ends in welcomes to the weary,
c And heaven, the heart's true home, will come at last.

mf 5 Angels, sing on, your faithful watches keeping;
Sing us sweet fragments of the songs above,
f Till morning's joy shall end the night of weeping,
And life's long shadows break in cloudless love.

AMEN.

309

'He that overcometh shall inherit all things.'

mp THOSE eternal bowers
Man hath never trod,
Those unfading flowers
Round the throne of God,—

Who may hope to gain them
After weary fight,
Who at length attain them,
Clad in robes of white?

m 2 He who gladly barters
All on earthly ground,
He who, like the martyrs,
Says, (*mf*) 'I will be crowned,'
m He whose one oblation
Is a life of love,—
mf He shall win salvation
With the blest above.

3 Shame upon you, legions
Of the heavenly King,
Denizens of regions
Past imagining!
What! with pipe and tabor
Fool away the light,
c When He bids you labour,
When He tells you, 'Fight!'

mp 4 While I do my duty,
Struggling through the tide,
m Whisper Thou of beauty
On the other side.
Tell who will the story
Of our now distress,
mf O the future glory,
O the loveliness! AMEN.

310

'He giveth His beloved sleep.'

m OF all the thoughts of God that are
Borne inward into souls afar,
Along the Psalmist's music deep,
Now tell me if that any is,
For gift or grace, surpassing this—
p 'He giveth His belovèd sleep.'

2 'Sleep soft, beloved!' (*mp*) we sometimes say,
Who have no tune to charm away
Sad dreams that through the eyelids creep;
m But never doleful dream again
Shall break the happy slumber when
He giveth His belovèd sleep.

mp 3 O earth, so full of dreary noises,
O men with wailing in your voices,
O delvèd gold the wailers heap,
O strife, O curse that o'er it fall,—
p God strikes a silence through you all,
And giveth His belovèd sleep.

m 4 His dews drop mutely on the hill,
His cloud above it saileth still,
Though on its slope men sow and reap;
mp More softly than the dew is shed,
Or cloud is floated overhead,
He giveth His belovèd sleep.

pp 5 And, friends, dear friends, when it shall be
That this low breath is gone from me,
And round my bier ye come to weep,
p Let one, most loving of you all,
Say, 'Not a tear must o'er him fall;
pp "He giveth His belovèd sleep."'
AMEN.

311

'At Thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.'

mp WHEN the day of toil is done,
When the race of life is run,
Father, grant Thy wearied one
Rest for evermore.

2 When the strife of sin is stilled,
When the foe within is killed,
Be Thy gracious word fulfilled,—
'Peace for evermore.'

m 3 When the darkness melts away
At the breaking of Thy day,
mf Bid us hail the cheering ray,—
Light for evermore.

mp 4 When the heart by sorrow tried
Feels at length its throbs subside,
m Bring us, where all tears are dried,
Joy for evermore.

p 5 When for vanished days we yearn,
Days that never can return,
mp Teach us in Thy love to learn
Love for evermore.

pp 6 When the breath of life is flown,
When the grave must claim its own,
mf Lord of life, be ours Thy crown,—
Life for evermore. AMEN.

Also Hymns 11, 100, 103.

DEATH AND RESURRECTION

312

'Our days on the earth are as a shadow, and there is none abiding.'

p DAYS and moments quickly flying
Blend the living with the dead:
Soon will you and I be lying
Each within our narrow bed!

2 Soon our souls to God who gave them
Will have sped their rapid flight;
Able now by grace to save them,
O that, while we can, we might!

m 3 Jesus, infinite Redeemer,
Maker of this mighty frame,
Teach, O teach us to remember
What we are, and whence we came,

p 4 Whence we came, and whither, wending,
Soon we must through darkness go,—
To inherit bliss unending
Or eternity of woe.

p 5 *Life passeth soon;*
Death draweth near:
Keep us, good Lord,
Till Thou appear,—
With Thee to live,
With Thee to die,
With Thee to reign through eternity.

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mp 6 As a shadow life is fleeting;
As a vapour, so it flies;
For the byegone years retreating
Pardon grant, and make us wise,—

m 7 Wise that we our days may number,
Strive and wrestle with our sin,
Stay not in our work, nor slumber,
Till Thy holy rest we win.

mp 8 Jesus, merciful Redeemer,
Rouse dead souls to hear Thy voice;
mf Wake, O wake each idle dreamer
Now to make the eternal choice.

p 9 Soon before the Judge all glorious
We with all the dead shall stand;
c Saviour, over death victorious,
Place us then at Thy right hand.

10 *Life passeth soon, etc.*

AMEN.

313

'Having a desire to depart and to be with Christ; which is far better.'

mp IT is not death to die,
To leave this weary road,
c And 'midst the brotherhood on high
To be at home with God.

mp 2 It is not death to close
The eye long dimmed by tears,
mf And wake, in glorious repose
To spend eternal years.

m 3 It is not death to bear
The wrench that sets us free
From dungeon chain, (*c*) to breathe the air
Of boundless liberty.

m 4 It is not death to fling
Aside this sinful dust,
mf And rise on strong, exulting wing,
To live among the just.

f 5 Jesus, Thou Prince of Life,
Thy chosen cannot die;
Like Thee they conquer in the strife,
To reign with Thee on high.

AMEN.

314

'Then face to face.'

mp SUNSET and evening star,
And one clear call for me!
And may there be no moaning of the bar
When I put out to sea,
But such a tide as moving seems asleep,
Too full for sound and foam,
When that which drew from out the boundless deep
Turns again home.

d 2 Twilight and evening bell,
And after that the dark!
mp And may there be no sadness of farewell
When I embark;
m For, though from out our bourne of time and place
The flood may bear me far,
I hope to see my Pilot face to face
When I have crost the bar. AMEN.

315

'Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me . . And I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.'

mp WHEN on my day of life the night is falling,
And in the winds from unsunned spaces blown
I hear far voices out of darkness calling
My feet to paths unknown,

m 2 Thou who hast made my home of life so pleasant,
Leave not its tenant when its walls decay;
O Love Divine, O Helper ever present,
Be Thou my strength and stay.

mp 3 Be near me when all else is from me drifting,—
Earth, sky, home's pictures, days of shade and shine,
And kindly faces to my own uplifting
The love which answers mine.

m 4 I have but Thee, my Father; let Thy Spirit
Be with me then to comfort and uphold;
mp No gate of pearl, no branch of palm I merit,
Nor street of shining gold.

5 Suffice it if—my good and ill unreckoned,
And both forgiven through Thy abounding grace—
I find myself by hands familiar beckoned
Unto my fitting place,—

6 Some humble door among Thy many mansions,
Some sheltering shade where sin and striving cease,
c And flows for ever through heaven's green expansions
The river of Thy peace.

m 7 There from the music round about me stealing
I fain would learn the new and holy song,
And find at last, beneath Thy trees of healing,
The life for which I long.
AMEN.

316

'In My Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you.'

mp FRIEND after friend departs;
Who hath not lost a friend?
There is no union here of hearts
That finds not here an end;
Were this frail world our only rest,
Living or dying, none were blest.

m 2 Beyond the flight of time,
Beyond this vale of death,
There surely is some blessèd clime
Where life is not a breath,
Nor life's affections transient fire,
Whose sparks fly upwards to expire.

mf 3 There is a world above,
Where parting is unknown,—
A whole eternity of love,
Formed for the good alone;
And faith beholds the dying here
Translated to that happier sphere.

mp 4 Thus star by star declines
Till all are passed away,
c As morning high and higher shines
To pure and perfect day.
mf Nor sink those stars in empty night;
They hide themselves in heaven's own light. AMEN.

317

'Fear not: for I have redeemed thee . . When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee.'

mp LOWLY and solemn be
Thy children's cry to Thee,
Father Divine,—
A hymn of suppliant breath,
Owning that life and death
Alike are Thine.

p 2 O Father, in that hour
When earth all succouring power
Shall disavow,
When spear and shield and crown
In faintness are cast down,
c Sustain us, Thou.

p 3 By Him who bowed to take
The death-cup for our sake,
The thorn, the rod,
From whom the last dismay
Was not to pass away,
c Aid us, O God.

p 4 Tremblers beside the grave,
c We call on Thee to save,
Father Divine;
m Hear, hear our suppliant breath;
Keep us, in life and death,
Thine, only Thine. AMEN.

318

'Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord.'

mp HARK! a voice! it cries from heaven,
m 'Happy in the Lord who die!'
Happy they to whom 't is given
From a world of grief to fly;
They indeed are truly blest;
From their labours then they rest.

mf 2 All their toils and conflicts over,
Lo! they dwell with Christ above;
O what glories they discover
In the Saviour whom they love!
Now they see Him face to face,
Him who saved them by His grace.

m 3 'T is enough, enough for ever;
'T is His people's bright reward;
They are blest indeed who never
Shall be absent from the Lord!
mp O that we may die like those
Who in Jesus then repose! AMEN.

319

'Them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him.'

mp ASLEEP in Jesus! blessèd sleep,
From which none ever wakes to weep,
A calm and undisturbed repose
Unbroken by the last of foes!

2 Asleep in Jesus! O how sweet
To be for such a slumber meet,
mf With holy confidence to sing
That death hath lost his venomed sting!

m 3 Asleep in Jesus! peaceful rest,
Whose waking is supremely blest!
No fear, no woe shall dim that hour
That manifests the Saviour's power.

mp 4 Asleep in Jesus! O for me
May such a blissful refuge be!
m Securely shall my ashes lie,
Waiting the summons from on high.

5 Asleep in Jesus! time nor space
Debars this precious hiding-place;
On Indian plains or Lapland snows
Believers find the same repose.

mp 6 Asleep in Jesus! far from thee
Thy kindred and their graves may be;
m But thine is still a blessèd sleep,
From which none ever wakes to weep. AMEN.

320

'Until the day dawn.'

mp SLEEP on, belovèd, sleep, and take thy rest:
Lay down thy head upon thy Saviour's breast;
We love thee well, but Jesus loves thee best:
Good-night!

2 Calm is thy slumber as an infant's sleep;
But thou shalt wake no more to toil and weep;
Thine is a perfect rest, secure and deep:
Good-night!

m 3 Until the shadows from this earth are cast,
Until He gathers in His sheaves at last,
Until the twilight gloom is overpassed,
Good-night!

4 Until the Lord's new glory floods the skies,
Until the loved in Jesus shall arise,
And He shall come, but not in lowly guise,
Good-night!

5 Until, made beautiful by love Divine,
Thou in the likeness of thy Lord shalt shine,
And He shall bring that golden crown of thine,
Good-night!

mp 6 Only 'Good-night!' belovèd, not 'Farewell!'
m A little while and all His saints shall dwell
In hallowed union, indivisible:
Good-night!

mf 7 Until we meet again before His throne,
Clothed in the spotless robe He gives His own,
m Until we know even as we are known,
Good-night!
AMEN.

321

'They that dwell under His shadow shall return; they shall revive as the corn.'

p SLEEP thy last sleep,
Free from care and sorrow;
Rest where none weep,
Till the eternal morrow;
Though dark waves roll
O'er the silent river,
Thy fainting soul
Jesus can deliver.

mp 2 Life's dream is past,
All its sin, its sadness;
c Brightly at last
Dawns a day of gladness.
p Under thy sod,
Earth, receive our treasure,
To rest in God,
Waiting all His pleasure.

mp 3 Though we may mourn
Those in life the dearest,
m They shall return,
Christ, when Thou appearest;
Soon shall Thy voice
Comfort those now weeping,
Bidding rejoice
All in Jesus sleeping. AMEN.

322

'Ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.'

mp THOU art gone to the grave: but we will not deplore thee,
Though sorrows and darkness encompass the tomb;
m Thy Saviour has passed through its portal before thee,
And the lamp of His love is thy guide through the gloom.

mp 2 Thou art gone to the grave: we no longer behold thee,
Nor tread the rough path of the world by thy side;
mf But the wide arms of mercy are spread to enfold thee,
And sinners may die, for the Sinless has died.

mp 3 Thou art gone to the grave: and, its mansion forsaking,
Perchance thy weak spirit in fear lingered long;
m But the mild rays of Paradise beamed on thy waking,
And the sound which thou heardst was the seraphim's song.

4 Thou art gone to the grave: but we will not deplore thee,
Whose God was thy Ransom, thy Guardian and Guide;
c He gave thee, He took thee, and He will restore thee;
mf And death has no sting, for the Saviour has died. AMEN.

323

'I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me.'

mp GENTLE Shepherd, Thou hast stilled
Now Thy little lamb's brief weeping;
p Ah! how peaceful, pale, and mild
In its narrow bed it is sleeping,
And no sigh of anguish sore
Heaves that little bosom more.

m 2 In this world of care and pain,
Lord, Thou wouldst no longer leave it;
To the sunny, heavenly plain
Thou dost now with joy receive it;
mf Clothed in robes of spotless white,
Now it dwells with Thee in light.

m 3 Ah! Lord Jesus, grant that we
Where it lives may soon be living,
And the lovely pastures see
That its heavenly food are giving;
mp Then the gain of death we prove,
Though Thou take what most we love. AMEN.

324

'Is it well with the child? . . It is well.'

mp SAFELY, safely gathered in,
No more sorrow, no more sin,
No more childish griefs or fears,
No more sadness, no more tears;
For the life, so young and fair,
Now hath passed from earthly care;
m God Himself the soul will keep,
Giving His beloved sleep.

mp 2 Safely, safely gathered in,
Free from sorrow, free from sin,
Passed beyond all grief and pain,
Death for thee is truest gain:
m For our loss we must not weep,
Nor our loved one long to keep
From the home of rest and peace,
Where all sin and sorrow cease.

mp 3 Safely, safely gathered in,
No more sorrow, no more sin;
God has saved from weary strife,
In its dawn, this young fresh life,
Which awaits us now above,
Resting in the Saviour's love.
Jesus, grant that we may meet
There, adoring at Thy feet. AMEN.

325

'Present with the Lord.'

mp NOW the labourer's task is o'er,
Now the battle-day is past;
Now upon the further shore
Lands the voyager at last.

p *Father, in Thy gracious keeping*
Leave we now Thy servant sleeping.

mp 2 There the tears of earth are dried;
There its hidden things are clear;
There the work of life is tried
By a juster Judge than here.

3 There the Shepherd, bringing home
Many a lamb forlorn and strayed,
Shelters each, no more to roam,
Where the wolf can ne'er invade.

4 There the penitents who turn
To the cross their dying eyes
All the love of Jesus learn
At His feet in Paradise.

m 5 There no more the powers of hell
Can prevail to mar their peace;
Christ the Lord shall guard them well,
He who died for their release.

p 6 'Earth to earth, and dust to dust,'
mp Calmly now the words we say;
Left behind, we wait in trust
For the resurrection day.
AMEN.

326

'Thy brother shall rise again.'

mp NOW lay we calmly in the grave
This form, whereof no doubt we have
c That it shall rise again that day
In glorious triumph o'er decay.

mp 2 And so to earth again we trust
What came from dust, and turns to dust,
mf And from the dust shall surely rise
When the last trumpet fills the skies.

m 3 His soul is living now in God,
Whose grace his pardon hath bestowed,
Who through His Son redeemed him here
From bondage unto sin and fear.

4 His trials and his griefs are past;
A blessèd end is his at last;
He bore Christ's yoke, and did His will,
And though he died he liveth still.

5 He lives where none can mourn and weep,
And calmly shall this body sleep
c Till God shall death himself destroy,
And raise it into glorious joy.

mp 6 He suffered pain and grief below;
m Christ heals him now from all his woe;
mf For him hath endless joy begun;
He shines in glory like the sun.

mp 7 Then let us leave him to his rest,
And homeward turn, for he is blest,
And we must well our souls prepare,
When death shall come, to meet him there.

m 8 So help us, Christ, our Hope in loss;
Thou hast redeemed us by Thy cross
From endless death and misery;
mf We praise, we bless, we worship Thee. AMEN.

Also Hymns 65, 72, 99, 101, 102. 112, 356, 361, 499. 500.

HEAVENLY GLORY

327

'The former things are passed away.'

m THERE is no night in heaven:
In that blest world above
Work never can bring weariness,
For work itself is love.

mp 2 There is no grief in heaven:
For all is perfect day;
And tears are 'mid those former things
Which all have passed away.

m 3 There is no sin in heaven,
Amid that blessèd throng;
All holy is their spotless robe,
All holy is their song.

4 There is no death in heaven:
For they who gain that shore
mf Have won their immortality,
And they can die no more.

mp 5 Lord Jesus, be our Guide;
O lead us safely on,
c Till night and grief and sin and death
Are past, and heaven is won. AMEN.

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'Let me go over, and see the good land that is beyond Jordan.'

mf THERE is a land of pure delight,
Where saints immortal reign;
Infinite day excludes the night,
And pleasures banish pain;

2 There everlasting spring abides,
And never-withering flowers:
mp Death, like a narrow sea, divides
This heavenly land from ours.

m 3 Sweet fields beyond the swelling flood
Stand dressed in living green;
So to the Jews old Canaan stood,
While Jordan rolled between.

mp 4 But timorous mortals start and shrink
To cross this narrow sea,
And linger, shivering on the brink,
And fear to launch away.

m 5 O could we make our doubts remove—
Those gloomy doubts that rise—
And see the Canaan that we love
With unbeclouded eyes,

6 Could we but climb where Moses stood,
And view the landscape o'er,
mf Not Jordan's stream, nor death's cold flood,
Should fright us from the shore.
AMEN.

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'That great city, the holy Jerusalem.'

m JERUSALEM, my happy home,
Name ever dear to me!
When shall my labours have an end,
In joy and peace, and thee?

2 When shall these eyes thy heaven-built walls
And pearly gates behold,
Thy bulwarks with salvation strong,
And streets of shining gold?

3 There happier bowers than Eden's bloom,
Nor sin nor sorrow know.
f Blest seats, through rude and stormy scenes
I onward press to you.

mp 4 Why should I shrink at pain and woe,
Or feel at death dismay?
mf I've Canaan's goodly land in view,
And realms of endless day.

f 5 Apostles, martyrs, prophets there
Around my Saviour stand;
And soon my friends in Christ below
Will join the glorious band.

mf 6 Jerusalem, my happy home!
My soul still pants for thee;
Then shall my labours have an end,
When I thy joys shall see. AMEN.

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'They shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.'

mp THERE is a blessèd home
Beyond this land of woe,
Where trials never come,
Nor tears of sorrow flow;
c Where faith is lost in sight,
And patient hope is crowned,
And everlasting light
Its glory throws around.

mp 2 There is a land of peace;
Good angels know it well;
m Glad songs that never cease
Within its portals swell;
mf Around its glorious throne
Ten thousand saints adore
Christ, with the Father one
And Spirit, evermore.

m 3 O joy all joys beyond!
To see the Lamb who died,
mp And count each sacred wound
In hands and feet and side;
mf To give to Him the praise
Of every triumph won,
And sing through endless days
The great things He hath done.

m 4 Look up, ye saints of God,
Nor fear to tread below
The path your Saviour trod
Of daily toil and woe;
Wait but a little while
In uncomplaining love,
mf His own most gracious smile
Shall welcome you above. AMEN.

331

'Be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.'

m THE world is very evil,
The times are waxing late;
Be sober and keep vigil,
The Judge is at the gate,

2 The Judge that comes in mercy,
The Judge that comes with might,
To terminate the evil,
To diadem the right.

mf 3 Arise, arise, good Christian,
Let right to wrong succeed;
Let penitential sorrow
To heavenly gladness lead,

4 To light that hath no evening,
That knows nor moon nor sun,
The light so new and golden,
The light that is but one.

m 5 And, when the Sole-begotten
Shall render up once more
The kingdom to the Father,
Whose own it was before,

6 Then glory yet unheard of
Shall shed abroad its ray,
Resolving all enigmas,
An endless Sabbath-day.

mf 7 Strive, man, to win that glory,
Toil, man, to gain that light,
Send hope before to grasp it
Till hope be lost in sight,

8 Till Jesus gives the portion
Those blessèd souls to fill,
The insatiate, yet satisfied,
The full, yet craving still.

m 9 O sweet and blessèd country,
The home of God's elect!
O sweet and blessèd country,
That eager hearts expect!

mp 10 Jesus, in mercy bring us
To that dear land of rest,
mf Who art, with God the Father
And Spirit, ever blest. AMEN.

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'Here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come.'

mp BRIEF life is here our portion,
Brief sorrow, short-lived care;
The life that knows no ending,
The tearless life, is there.

mf 2 O happy retribution!
Short toil, eternal rest;
For mortals and for sinners
A mansion with the blest!

m 3 There grief is turned to pleasure,
Such pleasure as below
No human voice can utter,
No human heart can know.

4 And now we fight the battle,
But then shall wear the crown
Of full and everlasting
And passionless renown;

mp 5 And now we watch and struggle,
And now we live in hope,
And Zion, in her anguish,
With Babylon must cope;

m 6 But He whom now we trust in
Shall then be seen and known,
c And they that know and see Him
Shall have Him for their own.

mf 7 The morning shall awaken,
The shadows shall decay,
And each true-hearted servant
Shall shine as doth the day.

8 Yes! God, our King and Portion,
In fulness of His grace,
We then shall see for ever,
And worship face to face.

m 9 O sweet and blessèd country,
The home of God's elect!
O sweet and blessed country,
That eager hearts expect!

mp 10 Jesus, in mercy bring us
To that dear land of rest,
mf Who art, with God the Father
And Spirit, ever blest. AMEN.

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'They desire a better country, that is, an heavenly.'

mp FOR thee, O dear, dear country,
Mine eyes their vigils keep;
For very love, beholding
Thy happy name, they weep;
m The mention of thy glory
Is unction to the breast,
And medicine in sickness,
And love, and life, and rest.

mf 2 O one, O only mansion!
O Paradise of joy,
Where tears are ever banished,
And smiles have no alloy!
With jaspers glow thy bulwarks;
Thy streets with emeralds blaze;
The sardius and the topaz
Unite in thee their rays;

3 Thine ageless walls are bonded
With amethyst unpriced;
Thy saints build up its fabric,
And the corner-stone is Christ;
f The cross is all thy splendour,
The Crucified thy praise;
His laud and benediction
Thy ransomed people raise.

m 4 Thou hast no shore, fair ocean!
Thou hast no time, bright day!
Dear fountain of refreshment
To pilgrims far away!
mf Upon the Rock of Ages
They raise thy holy tower;
Thine is the victor's laurel,
And thine the golden dower.

m 5 O sweet and blessèd country,
The home of God's elect!
O sweet and blessèd country,
That eager hearts expect!
mp Jesus, in mercy bring us
To that dear land of rest,
mf Who art, with God the Father
And Spirit, ever blest. AMEN.

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'He hath prepared for them a city.'

mp JERUSALEM the golden,
With milk and honey blest,
Beneath thy contemplation
Sink heart and voice oppressed:
c I know not, O I know not
What social joys are there,
What radiancy of glory,
What light beyond compare.

mf 2 They stand, those halls of Zion,
Conjubilant with song,
And bright with many an angel,
And all the martyr throng;
The Prince is ever in them;
The daylight is serene;
The pastures of the blessèd
Are decked in glorious sheen.

3 There is the throne of David,
And there, from care released,
The shout of them that triumph,
The song of them that feast;
f And they who, with their Leader,
Have conquered in the fight
For ever and for ever
Are clad in robes of white.

m 4 O sweet and blessèd country,
The home of God's elect!
O sweet and blessèd country,
That eager hearts expect!
mp Jesus, in mercy bring us
To that dear land of rest,
mf Who art, with God the Father
And Spirit, ever blest. AMEN.

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'The paradise of God.'

mp O PARADISE! O Paradise!
Who doth not crave for rest?
Who would not seek the happy land
Where they that loved are blest?
mf *Where loyal hearts and true*
Stand ever in the light,
All rapture through and through,
In God's most holy sight!

mp 2 O Paradise! O Paradise!
The world is growing old;
Who would not be at rest and free
Where love is never cold?

3 O Paradise! O Paradise!
'T is weary waiting here;
m I long to be where Jesus is,
To feel, to see Him near.

mp 4 O Paradise! O Paradise!
I want to sin no more;
I want to be as pure on earth
As on thy spotless shore.

5 Lord Jesus, King of Paradise,
O keep me in Thy love,
c And guide me to that happy land
Of perfect rest above.
AMEN.

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'Lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands.'

mf HARK! the sound of holy voices,
Chanting at the crystal sea,
'Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
Hallelujah!' Lord, to Thee.
Multitude, which none can number,
Like the stars, in glory stand,
Clothed in white apparel, holding
Palms of victory in their hand.

mp 2 They have come from tribulation,
And have washed their robes in blood,
Washed them in the blood of Jesus;
Tried they were, and firm they stood;
Mocked, imprisoned, stoned, tormented,
Sawn asunder, slain with sword,
mf They have conquered death and Satan
By the might of Christ the Lord.

3 Marching with Thy cross their banner,
They have triumphed, following
Thee, the Captain of salvation,
Thee, their Saviour and their King.
Gladly, Lord, with Thee they suffered;
Gladly, Lord, with Thee they died;
And, by death, to life immortal
They were born and glorified.

f 4 Now they reign in heavenly glory;
Now they walk in golden light;
Now they drink, as from a river,
Holy bliss and infinite;
Love and peace they taste for ever,
And all truth and knowledge see
In the beatific vision
Of the blessèd Trinity.

mf 5 God of God, the One-begotten,
Light of light, Immanuel,
In whose body joined together
All the saints for ever dwell,
Pour upon us of Thy fulness,
That we may for evermore
God the Father, God the Son, and
God the Holy Ghost adore. AMEN.

337

'That they may rest from their labours.'

m THE saints of God! their conflict past,
And life's long battle won at last,
No more they need the shield or sword;
They cast them down before their Lord:
mf O happy saints! for ever blest,
At Jesus' feet how safe your rest!

m 2 The saints of God! their wanderings done,
No more their weary course they run,
No more they faint, no more they fall,
No foes oppress, no fears appal:
mf O happy saints! for ever blest,
In that dear home how sweet your rest!

m 3 The saints of God! life's voyage o'er,
Safe landed on that blissful shore,
No stormy tempests now they dread,
No roaring billows lift their head:
mf O happy saints! for ever blest
In that calm haven of your rest!

rap 4 The saints of God their vigil keep
While yet their mortal bodies sleep,
c Till from the dust they too shall rise,
And soar triumphant to the skies:
f O happy saints! rejoice and sing;
He quickly comes, your Lord and King.

mp 5 O God of saints, to Thee we cry;
O Saviour, plead for us on high;
O Holy Ghost, our Guide and Friend,
Grant us Thy grace till life shall end,—
mf That with all saints our rest may be
In that bright Paradise with Thee.
AMEN.

338 *'Followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.'*

m FOR all Thy saints, O Lord,
Who strove in Thee to live,
Who followed Thee, obeyed, adored,
Our grateful hymn receive.

2 For all Thy saints, O Lord,
Accept our thankful cry,
Who counted Thee their great reward,
And strove in Thee to die.

3 They all, in life and death,
With Thee, their Lord, in view,
Learned from Thy Holy Spirit's breath
To suffer and to do.

4 Thy mystic members fit
To join Thy saints above,
In one unmixed communion knit,
And fellowship of love.

mp 5 For this Thy name we bless,
And humbly beg that we
May follow them in holiness,
And live and die in Thee. AMEN.

339 *'We are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses.'*

m FOR all the saints who from their labours rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
f Thy name, O Jesus, be for ever blest.
Hallelujah!

2 Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress, and their Might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light.
Hallelujah!

mf 3 O may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
And win, with them, the victor's crown of gold.
Hallelujah!

m 4 O blest communion, fellowship Divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
mf Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.
Hallelujah!

mp 5 And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
c Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
mf And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
Hallelujah!

m 6 The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;
Sweet is the calm of Paradise the blest.
Hallelujah!

f 7 But, lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day:
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of Glory passes on His way.
Hallelujah!

ff 8 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's furthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
'Hallelujah!' AMEN.

340 *'Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named.'*

mf COME, let us join our friends above
That have obtained the prize,
And on the eagle wings of love
To joy celestial rise.
Let all the saints terrestrial sing
With those to glory gone,
For all the servants of our King
In earth and heaven are one.

m 2 One family we dwell in Him,
One Church, above, beneath,
Though now divided by the stream,
The narrow stream, of death.
One army of the living God,
To His command we bow;
Part of His host hath crossed the flood,
And part is crossing now.

3 Our old companions in distress
We haste again to see,
c And eager long for our release
And full felicity.
mf Even now by faith we join our hands
With those that went before,
And greet the blood-besprinkled bands
On the eternal shore.

4 Our spirits, too, shall quickly join,
Like theirs with glory crowned,
And shout to see our Captain's sign,
To hear His trumpet sound.

c O that we now might grasp our Guide!
O that the word were given!

f Come, Lord of hosts, the waves divide,
And land us all in heaven. AMEN.

341

'We shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air.'

mf TEN thousand times ten thousand,
In sparkling raiment bright,
The armies of the ransomed saints
Throng up the steeps of light;

f 'T is finished, all is finished,
Their fight with death and sin;
Fling open wide the golden gates,
And let the victors in.

mf 2 What rush of hallelujahs
Fills all the earth and sky!
What ringing of a thousand harps
Bespeaks the triumph nigh!

f O day for which creation
And all its tribes were made!
O joy, for all its former woes
A thousandfold repaid!

3 O then what raptured greetings
On Canaan's happy shore,
What knitting severed friendships up,
Where partings are no more!
Then eyes with joy shall sparkle
That brimmed with tears of late;
Orphans no longer fatherless,
Nor widows desolate.

mf 4 Bring near Thy great salvation,
Thou Lamb for sinners slain;
Fill up the roll of Thine elect,
Then take Thy power and reign;
Appear, Desire of nations,—
Thine exiles long for home;
Show in the heaven Thy promised sign:
Thou Prince and Saviour, come.
AMEN.

WORSHIP

MORNING

342

'I will awake early. I will praise Thee, O Lord.'

mf AWAKE, my soul, and with the sun
Thy daily stage of duty run;
Shake off dull sloth, and joyful rise,
To pay thy morning sacrifice.

m 2 Thy precious time misspent redeem;
Each present day thy last esteem;
Improve thy talent with due care;
For the great day thyself prepare.

3 In conversation be sincere;
Keep conscience as the noontide clear;
mp Think how all-seeing God thy ways
And all thy secret thoughts surveys.

mf 4 Wake, and lift up thyself, my heart,
And with the angels bear thy part,
Who all night long unwearied sing
High praise to the eternal King.

5 All praise to Thee who safe hast kept,
And hast refreshed me whilst I slept!
mp Grant, Lord, when I from death shall wake,
I may of endless life partake.

m 6 Lord, I my vows to Thee renew;
Disperse my sins as morning dew;
Guard my first springs of thought and will,
And with Thyself my spirit fill.

7 Direct, control, suggest, this day,
All I design, or do, or say,
mf That all my powers, with all their might,
In Thy sole glory may unite.

ff 8 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
AMEN.

343

'His compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is Thy faithfulness.'

m O TIMELY happy, timely wise,
Hearts that with rising morn arise,
Eyes that the beam celestial view
Which evermore makes all things new!

mf 2 New every morning is the love
Our wakening and uprising prove,
Through sleep and darkness safely brought,
Restored to life, and power, and thought.

3 New mercies, each returning day,
Hover around us while we pray,—
New perils past, new sins forgiven,
New thoughts of God, new hopes of heaven.

m 4 If, on our daily course, our mind
Be set to hallow all we find,
mf New treasures still, of countless price,
God will provide for sacrifice.

m 5 We need not bid, for cloistered cell,
Our neighbour and our work farewell,
Nor strive to wind ourselves too high
For sinful man beneath the sky;

6 The trivial round, the common task,
Will furnish all we ought to ask,—
Room to deny ourselves, a road
To bring us daily nearer God.

mp 7 Seek we no more; content with these,
Let present rapture, comfort, ease,
As Heaven shall bid them, come and go:
The secret this of rest below.

mf 8 Only, O Lord, in Thy dear love,
Fit us for perfect rest above;
And help us, this and every day,
To live more nearly as we pray.
AMEN.

344

'Unto you that fear My name shall the Sun of righteousness arise.'

mf CHRIST, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ, the true, the only Light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise,
Triumph o'er the shades of night.
Dayspring from on high, be near;
Daystar, in my heart appear.

mp 2 Dark and cheerless is the morn
Unaccompanied by Thee;
Joyless is the day's return,
m Till Thy mercy's beams I see,
Till they inward light impart,
Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

mf 3 Visit, then, this soul of mine;
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
Fill me, Radiancy Divine;
Scatter all my unbelief:
c More and more Thyself display,
Shining to the perfect day. AMEN.

345

'The brightness of His glory.'

mf O JESUS, Lord of heavenly grace,
Thou Brightness of Thy Father's face,
Thou Fountain of eternal light,
Whose beams disperse the shades of night,

2 Come, holy Sun of heavenly love,
Shower down Thy radiance from above,
And to our inward hearts convey
The Holy Spirit's cloudless ray.

m 3 And we the Father's help will claim,
And sing the Father's glorious name;
His powerful succour we implore,
That we may stand to fall no more.

4 May He our actions deign to bless,
And loose the bonds of wickedness,
From sudden falls our feet defend,
And bring us to a prosperous end.

5 May faith, deep-rooted in the soul,
The flesh subdue, the mind control;
May guile depart, and discord cease,
And all within be joy and peace.

mf 6 O hallowed be the approaching day;
Let meekness be our morning ray,
And faithful love our noonday light,
And hope our sunset, calm and bright.

7 O Christ, with each returning morn
Thine image to our hearts is borne;
O may we ever clearly see
Our Saviour and our God in Thee.
AMEN.

346

'In the morning will I direct my prayer unto Thee.'

m GONE are the shades of night,
The hours of rest are o'er;
mf New beauties sparkle bright,
And heaven is light once more.

m 2 To Thee our prayers shall speed,
O Lord of light Divine;
Come to our utmost need,
And in our darkness shine.

3 Spirit of love and light,
May we Thine image know,
And in Thy glory bright
To full perfection grow.

4 Hear us, O Father blest;
Save us, O Christ the Son;
Thou Comforter, the best,
Lead us till life is done. AMEN.

347

'He shall be as the light of the morning.'

mf JESUS, Sun of Righteousness,
Brightest Beam of love Divine,
With the early morning rays
Do Thou on our darkness shine,
And dispel with purest light
All our night.

mp 2 As on drooping herb and flower
Falls the soft, refreshing dew,
Let Thy Spirit's grace and power
All our weary souls renew,
Showers of blessing over all
Softly fall.

m 3 Like the sun's reviving ray,
May Thy love, with tender glow,
All our coldness melt away,
Warm and cheer us forth to go,
c Gladly serve Thee and obey
All the day.

mf 4 O, our only Hope and Guide,
Never leave us nor forsake;
Keep us ever at Thy side
Till the eternal morning break,
Moving on to Zion hill,
Homeward still.

m 5 Lead us all our days and years
In Thy straight and narrow way;
c Lead us through the vale of tears
To the land of perfect day,
mf Where Thy people fully blest
Safely rest. AMEN.

348

'Cause me to know the way wherein I should walk; for I lift up my soul unto Thee.'

mf NOW that the daylight fills the sky,
We lift our hearts to God on high,
That He, in all we do or say,
Would keep us free from harm to-day,—

m 2 Would guard our hearts and tongues from strife,
From anger's din would hide our life,
From all ill sights would turn our eyes,
Would close our ears from vanities,

3 Would keep our inmost conscience pure,
Our souls from folly would secure,
Would bid us check the pride of sense
With due and holy abstinence.

mp 4 So we, when this new day is gone
And night in turn is drawing on,
c With conscience by the world unstained,
Shall praise His name for victory gained. AMEN.

349

'I have set the Lord always before me: because He is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.'

m FORTH in Thy name, O Lord, I go,
My daily labour to pursue,
Thee, only Thee, resolved to know
In all I think or speak or do.

2 The task Thy wisdom hath assigned
O let me cheerfully fulfil,
In all my works Thy presence find,
And prove Thy good and perfect will.

3 Thee may I set at my right hand,
Whose eyes mine inmost substance see,
And labour on at Thy command,
And offer all my works to Thee.

4 Give me to bear Thy easy yoke,
And every moment watch and pray,
And still to things eternal look,
And hasten to Thy glorious day;

mf 5 For Thee delightfully employ
Whate'er Thy bounteous grace hath given,
And run my course with even joy,
And closely walk with Thee to heaven. AMEN.

350

'When I awake, I am still with Thee.'

mp STILL with Thee, O my God,
I would desire to be;
By day, by night, at home, abroad,
I would be still with Thee:

m 2 With Thee when dawn comes in
And calls me back to care,
Each day returning to begin
With Thee, my God, in prayer;

3 With Thee amid the crowd
That throngs the busy mart,
To hear Thy voice, where Time's is loud,
Speak softly to my heart;

mp 4 With Thee when day is done,
And evening calms the mind:
The setting as the rising sun
With Thee my heart would find.

5 With Thee when darkness brings
The signal of repose,
d Calm in the shadow of Thy wings,
Mine eyelids I would close.

m 6 With Thee, in Thee, by faith,
Abiding I would be;
By day, by night, in life, in death,
I would be still with Thee. AMEN.

Also Hymns 1, 122, 304.

EVENING

351

'Hide me under the shadow of Thy wings.'

mf ALL praise to Thee, my God, this night,
For all the blessings of the light!
Keep me, O keep me, King of kings,
Beneath Thy own almighty wings.

mp 2 Forgive me, Lord, for Thy dear Son,
The ill that I this day have done,
That with the world, myself, and Thee
I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.

3 Teach me to live, that I may dread
The grave as little as my bed;
To die, that this vile body may
mf Rise glorious at the awful day.

m 4 O may my soul on Thee repose,
And may sweet sleep mine eyelids close,—
Sleep that may me more vigorous make
To serve my God when I awake.

mp 5 When in the night I sleepless lie,
My soul with heavenly thoughts supply;
Let no ill dreams disturb my rest,
No powers of darkness me molest.

ff 6 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
AMEN.

352

'The Lord God is a sun and shield.'

m SUN of my soul, Thou Saviour dear,
It is not night if Thou be near;
O may no earth-born cloud arise
To hide Thee from Thy servant's eyes.

mp 2 When the soft dews of kindly sleep
My wearied eyelids gently steep,
Be my last thought, how sweet to rest
For ever on my Saviour's breast.

m 3 Abide with me from morn till eve,
For without Thee I cannot live;
p Abide with me when night is nigh,
For without Thee I dare not die.

mp 4 If some poor wandering child of Thine
Have spurned to-day the voice Divine,
Now, Lord, the gracious work begin;
Let him no more lie down in sin.

5 Watch by the sick; enrich the poor
With blessings from Thy boundless store;
p Be every mourner's sleep to-night,
Like infant's slumbers, pure and light.

m 6 Come near and bless us when we wake,
Ere through the world our way we take,
c Till in the ocean of Thy love
We lose ourselves in heaven above.
AMEN.

353

'When the even was come, they brought unto Him many that were possessed with devils: and He cast out the spirits with His word, and healed all that were sick.'

m AT even, ere the sun was set,
The sick, O Lord, around Thee lay;
mp O in what divers pains they met!
mf O with what joy they went away!

mp 2 Once more 't is eventide, and we,
Oppressed with various ills, draw near;
What if Thy form we cannot see,
We know and feel that Thou art here.

3 O Saviour Christ, our woes dispel:
For some are sick, and some are sad,
And some have never loved Thee well,
And some have lost the love they had;

4 And some are pressed with worldly care,
And some are tried with sinful doubt;
And some such grievous passions tear
That only Thou canst cast them out;

5 And some have found the world is vain,
Yet from the world they break not free;
And some have friends who give them pain,
Yet have not sought a friend in Thee;

6 And none, O Lord, have perfect rest,
For none are wholly free from sin;
And they who fain would serve Thee best
Are conscious most of wrong within

m 7 O Saviour Christ, Thou too art Man;
Thou hast been troubled, tempted, tried;
Thy kind but searching glance can scan
The very wounds that shame would hide;

mf 8 Thy touch has still its ancient power;
No word from Thee can fruitless fall:
mp Hear in this solemn evening hour,
And in Thy mercy heal us all.
AMEN.

354

'The Lord shall preserve Thee from all evil: He shall preserve thy soul.'

m GOD, that madest earth and heaven,
Darkness and light,
Who the day for toil hast given,
For rest the night,—
mp May Thine angel guards defend us,
Slumber sweet Thy mercy send us,
Holy dreams and hopes attend us,
This livelong night.

2 Guard us waking, guard us sleeping;
p And, when we die,
May we, in Thy mighty keeping,
All peaceful lie.
c When the last dread trump shall wake us,
Do not Thou, our Lord, forsake us,
mf But to reign in glory take us
With Thee on high. AMEN.

355

'In Him was life; and the life was the light of men.'

mf HAIL, gladdening Light, of His pure glory poured
Who is the immortal Father, heavenly, blest,
Holiest of Holies, Jesus Christ, our Lord!
mp Now we are come to the sun's hour of rest,
The lights of evening round us shine,
m We hymn the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Divine.
mf Worthiest art Thou at all times to be sung
With undefiled tongue,
Son of our God, Giver of life, alone;
Therefore in all the world Thy glories, Lord, they own. AMEN.

356

'At evening time it shall be light.'

m HOLY Father, cheer our way
With Thy love's perpetual ray;
Grant us every closing day
Light at evening time.

mp 2 Holy Saviour, calm our fears
When earth's brightness disappears;
Grant us in our latter years
Light at evening time.

p 3 Holy Spirit, be Thou nigh
When in mortal pains we lie;
Grant us as we come to die
mp Light at evening time.

mf 4 Holy, blessèd Trinity,
Darkness is not dark with Thee;
Those Thou keepest always see
Light at evening time. AMEN.

357

'Thou shalt take thy rest in safety.'

mp THROUGH the day Thy love has spared us;
Now we lay us down to rest.
Through the silent watches guard us,
Let no foe our peace molest;
Jesus, Thou our Guardian be;
Sweet it is to trust in Thee.

2 Pilgrims here on earth, and strangers,
Dwelling in the midst of foes,
Us and ours preserve from dangers;
In Thine arms may we repose,
And, when life's brief day is past,
Rest with Thee in heaven at last.
AMEN.

358

'He that keepeth thee will not slumber.'

mp NOW God be with us, for the night is closing;
The light and darkness are of His disposing,
And 'neath His shadow here to rest we yield us,
For He will shield us.

2 Let evil thoughts and spirits flee before us;
Till morning cometh, watch, Protector, o'er us:
In soul and body Thou from harm defend us;
Thine angels send us.

m 3 Let pious thoughts be ours when sleep o'ertakes us;
Our earliest thoughts be Thine when morning wakes us;
All day serve Thee, in all that we are doing
Thy praise pursuing.

mp 4 We have no refuge, none on earth to aid us,
Save Thee, O Father, who Thine own hast made us;
But Thy dear Presence will not leave them lonely
Who seek Thee only.

mf 5 Father, Thy name be praised, Thy kingdom given,
Thy will be done on earth as 't is in heaven;
Keep us in life, forgive our sins, deliver
Us now and ever. AMEN.

359

'The Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever.'

mp THE radiant morn hath passed away,
And spent too soon her golden store;
The shadows of departing day
Creep on once more.

2 Our life is but an autumn day,
Its glorious noon how quickly past!
c Lead us, O Christ, Thou living Way,
Safe home at last.

m 3 O by Thy soul-inspiring grace
Uplift our hearts to realms on high:
mf Help us to look to that bright place,
Beyond the sky,

4 Where light, and life, and joy, and peace
In undivided empire reign,
And thronging angels never cease
Their deathless strain;

5 Where saints are clothed in spotless white,
And evening shadows never fall;
Where Thou, Eternal Light of light,
Art Lord of all. AMEN.

360

'I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for Thou, Lord, only makest me dwell in safety.'

mp THE sun declines; o'er land and sea
Creeps on the night;
The twinkling stars come one by one
To shed their light;
m With Thee there is no darkness, Lord;
With us abide,
And 'neath Thy wings we rest secure
This eventide.

mp 2 Forgive the wrong this day we've done,
Or thought, or said;
Each moment with its good or ill
To Thee has fled;
O Father, in Thy mercy great
Will we confide;
Thy benediction now bestow
This eventide.

m 3 And when with morning light we rise,
Kept by Thy care,
We'll lift to Thee, with grateful hearts,
Our morning prayer.
mf Be Thou through life our Strength and Stay,
Our Guard and Guide
To that dear home where there will be
No eventide. AMEN.

361

'At the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice.'

mp THE sun is sinking fast,
The daylight dies;
c Let love awake, and pay
Her evening sacrifice.

p 2 As Christ, upon the cross
In death reclined,
Into His Father's hands
His parting soul resigned,

mp 3 So now herself my soul
Would wholly give
Into His sacred charge
In whom all spirits live,

4 So now beneath His eye
Would calmly rest—
Without a wish or thought
Abiding in the breast,

5 Save that His will be done
Whate er betide—
Dead to herself, and dead
In Him to all beside.

m 6 Thus would I live; yet now
Not I, but He
In all His power and love
Henceforth alive in me,

mf 7 One sacred Trinity,
One Lord Divine;
Myself for ever His,
And He for ever mine. AMEN.

362

'When I sit in darkness, the Lord shall be a light unto me.'

mp THE day is gently sinking to a close;
Fainter and yet more faint the sunlight glows:
m O Brightness of Thy Father's glory, Thou
Eternal Light of light, be with us now;
mf Where Thou art present darkness cannot be;
Midnight is glorious noon, O Lord, with Thee.

mp 2 Our changeful lives are ebbing to an end;
Onward to darkness and to death we tend:
mf O Conqueror of the grave, be Thou our Guide,
d Be Thou our Light in death's dark eventide;
m Then in our mortal hour will be no gloom,
No sting in death, no terror in the tomb.

mp 3 Thou who in darkness walking didst appear
Upon the waves, and Thy disciples cheer,
p Come, Lord, in lonesome days, when storms assail,
And earthly hopes and human succours fail;
When all is dark, may we behold Thee nigh,
And hear Thy voice, 'Fear not, for it is I.'

mp 4 The weary world is mouldering to decay;
Its glories wane, its pageants fade away:
In that last sunset, when the stars shall fall,
m May we arise, awakened by Thy call,
With Thee, O Lord, for ever to abide
In that blest day which has no eventide. AMEN.

363

'Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night.'

mp SAVIOUR, breathe an evening blessing
Ere repose our spirits seal;
Sin and want we come confessing:
c Thou canst save, and Thou canst heal.

p 2 Though destruction walk around us,
Though the arrow past us fly,
m Angel guards from Thee surround us;
We are safe if Thou art nigh.

mp 3 Though the night be dark and dreary,
Darkness cannot hide from Thee;
m Thou art He who, never weary,
Watchest where Thy people be.

p 4 Should swift death this night o'ertake us,
And our couch become our tomb,
c May the morn in heaven awake us,
Clad in light and deathless bloom. AMEN.

364

'When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid.'

m THE day is past and over:
All thanks, O Lord, to Thee;
I pray Thee now that sinless
The hours of dark may be.
mp O Jesus, keep me in Thy sight,
And guard me through the coming night.

m 2 The joys of day are over:
I lift my heart to Thee,
And pray Thee that offenceless
The hours of dark may be.
mp O Jesus, keep me in Thy sight,
And guard me through the coming night.

m 3 The toils of day are over:
I raise the hymn to Thee,
And pray that free from peril
The hours of dark may be.
mp O Jesus, keep me in Thy sight,
And guard me through the coming night.

m 4 Be Thou my soul's Preserver,
O God, for Thou dost know
How many are the perils
Through which I have to go.
mf Lover of men, O hear my call,
And guard and save me from them
all. AMEN.

365

'Abide with us: for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent.'

mp ABIDE with me; fast falls the
eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord, with
me abide:
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with
me.

p 2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's little
day;
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories
pass away;
Change and decay in all around I
see:
O Thou who changest not, abide
with me.

m 3 Not a brief glance I beg, a passing
word;
But, as Thou dwell'st with Thy disciples, Lord,
Familiar, condescending, patient,
free,
Come, not to sojourn, but abide
with me.

mp 4 Come not in terrors, as the King of
kings,
But kind and good, with healing in
Thy wings,
Tears for all woes, a heart for
every plea;
Come, Friend of sinners, thus abide
with me.

m 5 Thou on my head in early youth
didst smile;
And, though rebellious and perverse
meanwhile,
Thou hast not left me, oft as I left
Thee:
On to the close, O Lord, abide with
me.

6 I need Thy presence every passing
hour;
What but Thy grace can foil the
tempter's power?
Who like Thyself my guide and
stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide
with me.

mf 7 I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to
bless;
Ills have no weight, and tears no
bitterness:
f Where is death's sting? where,
grave, thy victory?
I triumph still if Thou abide with
me.

mp 8 Hold Thou Thy cross before my
closing eyes,
Shine through the gloom, and point
me to the skies;
mf Heaven's morning breaks, and
earth's vain shadows flee
m In life and death, O Lord, abide
with me. AMEN.

THE LORD'S DAY

366

'This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.'

f O DAY of rest and gladness,
O day of joy and light,
O balm of care and sadness,
Most beautiful, most bright!
m On thee the high and lowly,
Through ages joined in tune,
Sing, (*p c*) 'Holy, Holy, Holy,'
To the great God Triune.

m 2 On thee, at the creation,
The light first had its birth;
mf On thee, for our salvation,
Christ rose from depths of earth;
On thee our Lord victorious
The Spirit sent from heaven:
And thus on thee most glorious
A triple light was given.

m 3 Thou art a cooling fountain
In life's dry dreary sand;
From thee, like Pisgah's mountain,
We view our promised land.
A day of sweet refection,
A day thou art of love,
A day of resurrection
From earth to things above.

4 To-day on weary nations
The heavenly manna falls;
To holy convocations
The silver trumpet calls,

mf Where gospel light is glowing
With pure and radiant beams,
And living water flowing
With soul-refreshing streams.

m 5 New graces ever gaining
From this our day of rest,
We reach the rest remaining
To spirits of the blest.
f To Holy Ghost be praises,
To Father, and to Son;
The Church her voice upraises
To Thee, blest Three in One.
AMEN.

367

'I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day.'

f HAIL, thou bright and sacred morn,
Risen with gladness in thy beams!
Light, which not of earth is born,
From thy dawn in glory streams;
Airs of heaven are breathed around,
And each place is holy ground.

mf 2 Great Creator, who this day
From Thy perfect work didst rest,
By the souls that own Thy sway
Hallowed be its hours and blest;
Cares of earth aside be thrown,
This day given to heaven alone.

m 3 Saviour, who this day didst break
The dark prison of the tomb,
Bid my slumbering soul awake,
Shine through all its sin and gloom;
c Let me, from my bonds set free,
Rise from sin, and live to Thee.

mf 4 Blessèd Spirit, Comforter,
Sent this day from Christ on high,
Lord, on me Thy gifts confer,
Cleanse, illumine, sanctify;
All Thine influence shed abroad;
Lead me to the truth of God. AMEN.

368

'The first day of the week.'

mf THIS is the day of light:
Let there be light to-day;
O Dayspring, rise upon our night,
And chase its gloom away.

mp 2 This is the day of rest:
Our failing strength renew;
On weary brain and troubled breast
Shed Thou Thy freshening dew.

3 This is the day of peace:
Thy peace our spirits fill;
Bid Thou the blasts of discord cease,
The waves of strife be still.

m 4 This is the day of prayer:
Let earth to heaven draw near;
Lift up our hearts to seek Thee there,
Come down to meet us here.

mf 5 This is the first of days:
Send forth Thy quickening breath,
f And wake dead souls to love and praise,
O Vanquisher of death! AMEN.

369

'The rest of the holy sabbath.'

mf HAIL, sacred day of earthly rest,
From toil and trouble free!
Hail, quiet spirit, bringing peace
And joy to me!

mp 2 A holy stillness, breathing calm
On all the world around,
Uplifts my soul, O God, to Thee,
Where rest is found.

3 No sound of jarring strife is heard,
As weekly labours cease,
No voice but those that sweetly sing
Sweet songs of peace.

m 4 On all I think or say or do
A ray of light Divine
Is shed, O God, this day by Thee,
For it is Thine.

5 All earthly things appear to fade
As, rising high and higher,
The yearning voices strive to join
The heavenly choir.

mf 6 Accept, O God, my hymn of praise
That Thou this day hast given,
Sweet foretaste of that endless day
Of rest in heaven. AMEN.

370

'Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house: they will be still praising Thee.'

m OUR day of praise is done;
The evening shadows fall;
But pass not from us with the sun,
True Light, that lightenest all!

2 Around the throne on high,
Where night can never be,
The white-robed harpers of the sky
Bring ceaseless hymns to Thee.

mp 3 Too faint our anthems here;
Too soon of praise we tire;
mf But O the strains, how full and clear,
Of that eternal choir!

m 4 Yet, Lord, to Thy dear will
If Thou attune the heart,
We in Thine angels' music still
May bear our lower part.

5 'T is Thine each soul to calm,
Each wayward thought reclaim,
And make our life a daily psalm
Of glory to Thy name.

c 6 A little while, and then
Shall come the glorious end,
mf And songs of angels and of men
In perfect praise shall blend.
AMEN.

371

'From the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same My name shall be great among the Gentiles.'

m THE day Thou gavest, Lord, is ended;
The darkness falls at Thy behest;
To Thee our morning hymns ascended,
Thy praise shall sanctify our rest.

mf 2 We thank Thee that Thy Church unsleeping,
While earth rolls onward into light,
Through all the world her watch is keeping,
And rests not now by day or night.

3 As o'er each continent and island
The dawn leads on another day,
The voice of prayer is never silent,
Nor dies the strain of praise away.

4 The sun that bids us rest is waking
Our brethren 'neath the western sky,
c And hour by hour fresh lips are making
Thy wondrous doings heard on high.

f 5 So be it, Lord! Thy throne shall never,
Like earth's proud empires, pass away;
Thy kingdom stands and grows for ever,
Till all Thy creatures own Thy sway. AMEN.

372

'There remaineth a rest to the people of God.'

p MY Lord, my Love, was crucified,
He all the pains did bear;
mp But in the sweetness of His rest
He makes His servants share.

2 How sweetly rest Thy saints above
Which in Thy bosom lie!
Thy Church below doth rest in hope
Of that felicity.

m 3 Welcome and dear unto my soul
Are these sweet feasts of love;
mf But what a Sabbath shall I keep
When I shall rest above!

m 4 I bless Thy wise and wondrous love,
Which binds us to be free,
Which makes us leave our earthly snares
That we may come to Thee.

5 I come, I wait, I hear, I pray;
Thy footsteps, Lord, I trace;
I sing to think this is the way
Unto my Saviour's face.

mf 6 Blest day of God, most calm, most bright,
The first and best of days,
The labourer's rest, the saint's delight,
A day of mirth and praise! AMEN.

Also Hymns 73–83.

THE SANCTUARY

373

'Lord, I have loved the habitation of Thy house, and the place where Thine honour dwelleth.'

mf WE love the place, O God,
Wherein Thine honour dwells;
The joy of Thine abode
All earthly joy excels.

mp 2 It is the house of prayer,
Wherein Thy servants meet;
And Thou, O Lord, art there,
Thy chosen flock to greet.

m 3 We love the word of life,
The word that tells of peace,
Of comfort in the strife
And joys that never cease.

4 We love to sing below
For mercies freely given;
mf But O we long to know
The triumph song of heaven!

p 5 Lord Jesus, give us grace,
On earth to love Thee more,
In heaven to see Thy face,
And with Thy saints adore. AMEN.

374

'The same day, being the first day of the week .. came Jesus and stood in the midst.'

JESUS, stand among us
In Thy risen power;
Let this time of worship
Be a hallowed hour.

2 Breathe the Holy Spirit
Into every heart;
Bid the fears and sorrows
From each soul depart.

f 3 Thus with quickened footsteps
We pursue our way,
Watching for the dawning
Of eternal day. AMEN.

375

'Lord, it is good for us to be here.'

p LIGHT of the anxious heart,
Jesus, Thou dost appear,
To bid the gloom of guilt depart,
And shed Thy sweetness here.

f 2 Joyous is he with whom,
God's Word, Thou dost abide,
Sweet Light of our eternal home,
To fleshly sense denied.

3 Brightness of God above,
Unfathomable grace,
Thy presence be a fount of love
Within Thy chosen place. AMEN.

376

'I have set my affection to the house of my God.'

p SWEET is the solemn voice that calls
The Christian to the house of prayer;
I love to stand within its walls,
For Thou, O Lord, art present there.

2 I love to tread the hallowed courts
Where two or three for worship meet,
For thither Christ Himself resorts,
And makes the little band complete.

3 'Tis sweet to raise the common song,
To join in holy praise and love,
And imitate the blessèd throng
That mingle hearts and songs above.

mf 4 Within these walls may peace abound;
May all our hearts in one agree;
Where brethren meet, where Christ is found,
May peace and concord ever be.
AMEN.

377

'How amiable are Thy tabernacles, O Lord of hosts!'

mf PLEASANT are Thy courts above
In the land of light and love;
mp Pleasant are Thy courts below,
In this land of sin and woe.
O my spirit longs and faints
c For the converse of Thy saints,
For the brightness of Thy face,
f King of glory, God of grace!

m 2 Happy birds that sing and fly
Round Thy altars, O Most High!
mf Happier souls that find a rest
In a heavenly Father's breast!
mp Like the wandering dove that found
No repose on earth around,
m They can to their ark repair,
And enjoy it ever there.

mf 3 Happy souls! their praises flow
Even in this vale of woe;
Waters in the desert rise,
Manna feeds them from the skies;
f On they go from strength to strength,
Till they reach Thy throne at length,
At Thy feet adoring fall,
Who hast led them safe through all.

m 4 Lord, be mine this prize to win:
Guide me through a world of sin;
Keep me by Thy saving grace;
Give me at Thy side a place.
mf Sun and shield alike Thou art;
Guide and guard my erring heart.
Grace and glory flow from Thee;
Shower, O shower them, Lord, on me. AMEN.

378

'My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the Lord.'

mf LORD of the worlds above,
How pleasant and how fair
The dwellings of Thy love,
Thy earthly temples, are!
c To Thine abode
My heart aspires
With warm desires
To see my God.

mf 2 O happy souls that pray
Where God appoints to hear!
O happy men that pay
Their constant service there!
They praise Thee still;
And happy they
That love the way
To Zion's hill.

3 They go from strength to strength
Through this dark vale of tears,
Till each arrives at length,
Till each in heaven appears.
f O glorious seat,
When God our King
Shall thither bring
Our willing feet. AMEN.

379

'Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. Fear before Him, all the earth.'

mf WORSHIP the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
Bow down before Him, His glory proclaim;
Gold of obedience and incense of lowliness
c Bring, and adore Him; the Lord is His name!

mp 2 Low at His feet lay thy burden of carefulness;
m High on His heart He will bear it for thee,
Comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness,
Guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.

3 Fear not to enter His courts in the slenderness
Of the poor wealth thou canst reckon as thine;
mf Truth in its beauty and love in its tenderness,
These are the offerings to lay on His shrine.

m 4 These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness,
He will accept for the Name that is dear,
mf Mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,
Trust for our trembling, and hope for our fear.

5 Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
Bow down before Him, His glory proclaim;
Gold of obedience and incense of lowliness
c Bring, and adore Him; the Lord is His name! AMEN.

380

'Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.'

mf BEFORE Jehovah's awful throne,
Ye nations, bow with sacred joy;
Know that the Lord is God alone;
He can create, and He destroy.

m 2 His sovereign power, without our aid,
Made us of clay, and formed us men;
And, when like wandering sheep we strayed,
He brought us to His fold again.

3 We are His people, we His care,—
Our souls and all our mortal frame:
What lasting honours shall we rear
Almighty Maker, to Thy name?

f 4 We'll crowd Thy gates with thankful songs,
High as the heavens our voices raise;
And earth, with her ten thousand tongues,
Shall fill Thy courts with sounding praise.

5 Wide as the world is Thy command,
Vast as eternity Thy love;
Firm as a rock Thy truth must stand,
When rolling years shall cease to move. AMEN.

381

'The hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father.'

m O THOU to whom in ancient time
The lyre of Hebrew bards was strung,
Whom kings adored in song sublime
And prophets praised with glowing tongue,

2 Not now on Zion's height alone
Thy favoured worshipper may dwell,
Nor where, at sultry noon, Thy Son
Sat weary by the patriarch's well

3 From every place below the skies
The grateful song, the fervent prayer,
The incense of the heart, may rise
To heaven, and find acceptance there.

4 To Thee shall age, with snowy hair,
And strength and beauty bend the knee,
And childhood lisp with reverent air
Its praises and its prayers to Thee.

5 O Thou to whom in ancient time
The lyre of prophet bards was strung,
mf To Thee at last in every clime
Shall temples rise, and praise be sung. AMEN.

382

'Hear Thou from heaven, and forgive the sin of Thy servants.'

mp GOD of pity, God of grace,
When we humbly seek Thy face,
Bend from heaven, Thy dwelling-place;
p Hear, forgive, and save.

mp 2 When we in Thy temple meet,
Spread our wants before Thy feet,
Pleading at Thy mercy-seat,
p Look from heaven and save.

m 3 When Thy love our hearts shall fill,
And we long to do Thy will,
Turning to Thy holy hill,
p Lord, accept and save.

4 Should we wander from Thy fold,
And our love to Thee grow cold,
With a pitying eye behold;
Lord, forgive and save.

5 Should the hand of sorrow press,
Earthly care and want distress,
May our souls Thy peace possess;
Jesus, hear and save.

m 6 And, whate'er our cry may be,
When we lift our hearts to Thee,
From our burden set us free;
p Hear, forgive, and save. AMEN.

383

'In this place will I give peace, saith the Lord of hosts.'

mp AGAIN, as evening's shadow falls,
We gather in these hallowed walls;
And vesper hymn and vesper prayer
Rise mingling on the holy air.

m 2 May struggling hearts that seek release
Here find the rest of God's own peace,
And, strengthened here by hymn and prayer,
Lay down the burdens and the care.

p 3 O God, our Light, to Thee we bow;
Within all shadows standest Thou:
c Give deeper calm than night can bring;
Give sweeter songs than lips can sing.

m 4 Life's tumult we must meet again;
We cannot at the shrine remain;
But in the spirit's secret cell
May hymn and prayer for ever dwell. AMEN.

384

'Let my prayer be set forth before Thee as incense; and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.'

mp AS darker, darker fall around
The shadows of the night,
We gather here, with hymn and prayer,
To seek the eternal light.

2 Father in heaven, to Thee are known
Our many hopes and fears,
Our heavy weight of mortal toil,
Our bitterness of tears.

3 We pray Thee for all absent friends,
Who have been with us here;
And in our secret heart we name
The distant and the dear.

4 For weary eyes, and aching hearts,
And feet that from Thee rove,
The sick, the poor, the tried, the fallen,
We pray Thee, God of love.

m 5 We bring to Thee our hopes and fears,
And at Thy footstool lay;
And, Father, Thou who lovest all
Wilt hear us when we pray. AMEN.

385

'The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon Him, to all that call upon Him in truth.'

m JESUS, where'er Thy people meet,
There they behold Thy mercy-seat;
Where'er they seek Thee Thou art found,
And every place is hallowed ground.

2 For Thou, within no walls confined,
Inhabitest the humble mind;
Such ever bring Thee where they come,
And going take Thee to their home.

3 Dear Shepherd of Thy chosen few,
Thy former mercies here renew;
Here to our waiting hearts proclaim
The sweetness of Thy saving name.

4 Here may we prove the power of prayer
To strengthen faith and sweeten care,
To teach our faint desires to rise,
And bring all heaven before our eyes.

5 Lord, we are few, but Thou art near,
Nor short Thine arm, nor deaf Thine ear;
mf O rend the heavens, come quickly down,
And make a thousand hearts Thine own. AMEN.

386 *'If any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth His will, him He heareth.'*

m BEHOLD us, Lord, a little space
From daily tasks set free,
And met within Thy holy place
To rest awhile with Thee.

2 Around us rolls the ceaseless tide
Of business, toil, and care,
And scarcely can we turn aside
For one brief hour of prayer.

3 Yet these are not the only walls
Wherein Thou mayst be sought;
On homeliest work Thy blessing falls
In truth and patience wrought.

4 Thine is the loom, the forge, the mart,
The wealth of land and sea,
The worlds of science and of art,
Revealed and ruled by Thee.

mf 5 Then let us prove our heavenly birth
In all we do and know,
And claim the kingdom of the earth
For Thee, and not Thy foe.

m 6 Work shall be prayer, if all be wrought
As Thou wouldst have it done,
And prayer, by Thee inspired and taught,
Itself with work be one. AMEN

Also Hymns
48, 49, 143, 144, 466-470.

PRAYER

387

'Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit.'

m PRAYER is the soul's sincere desire,
Uttered or unexpressed,
The motion of a hidden fire
That trembles in the breast.

mp 2 Prayer is the burden of a sigh,
The falling of a tear,
The upward glancing of an eye
When none but God is near.

m 3 Prayer is the simplest form of speech
That infant lips can try;
Prayer the sublimest strains that reach
The Majesty on high.

mp 4 Prayer is the contrite sinner's voice
Returning from his ways,
m While angels in their songs rejoice,
And cry, 'Behold, he prays!'

5 Prayer is the Christian's vital breath,
The Christian's native air,
His watchword at the gates of death;
He enters heaven with prayer.

6 Nor prayer is made by man alone:
The Holy Spirit pleads,
And Jesus, on the eternal throne,
For sinners intercedes.

mf 7 O Thou by whom we come to God,
The Life, the Truth, the Way,
The path of prayer Thyself hast trod;
Lord, teach us how to pray.
AMEN.

388

'Where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them.'

m PRESENT with the two or three
Deign, most gracious God, to be,
While we lift our souls to Thee.

p 2 Jesus, by Thy blood alone.
Who didst for our sins atone,
Dare we come before Thy throne.

mp 3 Thou who knowest all our need,
Grant the prayer of faith to plead,
Teach us how to intercede.

4 Thou hast led us in the way,
And hast taught us how to say,
p 'Abba, Father,' when we pray.

5 Holy Spirit, from on high
Helping our infirmity,
Aid us in our feeble cry.

6 Flesh and heart would faint and fail,
m But there stands within the veil
One who ever doth prevail.

mf 7 Glory to the Father, Son,
Holy Spirit, Three in One,
While the endless ages run. AMEN.

389

'The hour of prayer.'

mp MY God, is any hour so sweet,
From blush of morn to evening star,
As that which calls me to Thy feet,
The hour of prayer?

m 2 Blest is that tranquil hour of morn,
And blest that hour of solemn eve,
When, on the wings of prayer upborne,
The world I leave;

3 For then a dayspring shines on me,
Brighter than morn's ethereal glow,
And richer dews descend from Thee
Than earth can know.

mf 4 Then is my strength by Thee renewed;
Then are my sins by Thee forgiven;
Then dost Thou cheer my solitude
With hope of heaven.

m 5 No words can tell what sweet relief
There for my every want I find,
What strength for warfare, balm for grief,
What peace of mind.

mp 6 Hushed is each doubt, gone every fear;
My spirit seems in heaven to stay;
And even the penitential tear
Is wiped away.

mf 7 Lord, till I reach yon blissful shore,
No privilege so dear shall be
As thus my inmost soul to pour
In prayer to Thee. AMEN.

390

'To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against Him.'

mp LORD, Thy mercy now entreating,
Low before Thy throne we fall;
Our misdeeds to Thee confessing,
On Thy name we humbly call.

2 Sinful thoughts and words unloving
Rise against us one by one;
Acts unworthy, deeds unthinking,
Good that we have left undone;

3 Hearts that far from Thee were straying,
While in prayer we bowed the knee;
Lips that, while Thy praises sounding,
Lifted not the soul to Thee;

4 Precious moments idly wasted,
Precious hours in folly spent;
Christian vow and fight unheeded;
Scarce a thought to wisdom lent.

5 Lord, Thy mercy still entreating,
We with shame our sins would own;
m From henceforth, the time redeeming,
May we live to Thee alone.

6 Heavenly Father, bless Thy children;
Hearken from Thy throne on high;
mp Loving Saviour, Holy Spirit,
Hear and heed our humble cry.
AMEN.

391

'Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace.'

mp APPROACH, my soul, the mercy-seat,
Where Jesus answers prayer;
There humbly fall before His feet,
For none can perish there.

2 Thy promise is my only plea;
With this I venture nigh:
Thou callest burdened souls to Thee,
p And such, O Lord, am I.

3 Bowed down beneath a load of sin,
By Satan sorely pressed,
By war without and fears within,
mp I come to Thee for rest.

m 4 Be Thou my Shield and Hiding-place,
That, sheltered near Thy side,
I may my fierce accuser face,
And tell him Thou hast died.

mf 5 O wondrous love! to bleed and die,
To bear the cross and shame,
That guilty sinners, such as I,
Might plead Thy gracious name!
AMEN.

392

'Ask, and it shall be given you.'

m COME, my soul, thy suit prepare;
Jesus loves to answer prayer;
He Himself has bid thee pray,
Therefore will not say thee nay.

2 Thou art coming to a King;
Large petitions with thee bring;
mf For His grace and power are such,
None can ever ask too much.

mp 3 With my burden I begin:
Lord, remove this load of sin;
Let Thy blood, for sinners spilt,
Set my conscience free from guilt.

m 4 Lord, I come to Thee for rest;
Take possession of my breast;
There Thy blood-bought right maintain,
c And without a rival reign.

m 5 While I am a pilgrim here,
Let Thy love my spirit cheer;
As my Guide, my Guard, my Friend,
Lead me to my journey's end.

6 Show me what I have to do;
Every hour my strength renew;
mf Let me live a life of faith;
Let me die Thy people's death.
AMEN.

393

'Hear Thou in heaven Thy dwelling place.'

mp WHEN the weary, seeking rest,
To Thy goodness flee;
When the heavy-laden cast
All their load on Thee;
When the troubled, seeking peace,
On Thy name shall call;
When the sinner, seeking life,
At Thy feet shall fall;
c Hear then in love, O Lord, the cry,
d In heaven, Thy dwelling-place on high.

mp 2 When the worldling, sick at heart,
Lifts his soul above;
When the prodigal looks back
To his Father's love;
When the proud man from his pride
Stoops to seek Thy face:
When the burdened brings his guilt
To Thy throne of grace;
c Hear then in love, O Lord, the cry,
d In heaven, Thy dwelling-place on high.

m 3 When the stranger asks a home,
All his toils to end;
When the hungry craveth food,
And the poor a friend;
When the sailor on the wave
Bows the fervent knee;
When the soldier on the field
Lifts his heart to Thee;
c Hear then in love, O Lord, the cry,
d In heaven, Thy dwelling-place on high.

m 4 When the man of toil and care,
In the city crowd,
When the shepherd on the moor,
Names the name of God;
When the learnèd and the high,
Tired of earthly fame,
Upon higher joys intent,
Name the blessèd name;
c Hear then in love, O Lord, the cry,
d In heaven, Thy dwelling-place on high.

m 5 When the child, with grave fresh lip,
Youth, or maiden fair,
mp When the agèd, weak and grey,
Seek Thy face in prayer;
When the widow weeps to Thee,
Sad and lone and low;
When the orphan brings to thee
All his orphan woe;
c Hear then in love, O Lord, the cry,
d In heaven, Thy dwelling-place on high.

mp 6 When creation, in her pangs,
Heaves her heavy groan;
When Thy Salem's exiled sons
Breathe their bitter moan;

p When Thy widowed, weeping Church,
Looking for a home,
Sendeth up her silent sigh,
'Come, Lord Jesus, come!'
c Hear then in love, O Lord, the cry,
d In heaven, Thy dwelling-place on high. AMEN.

394

'He will regard the prayer of the destitute.'

mp GOD of my life, to Thee I call;
Afflicted at Thy feet I fall;
When the great water-floods prevail,
Leave not my trembling heart to fail.

2 Friend of the friendless and the faint,
Where should I lodge my deep complaint?
Where but with Thee, whose open door
Invites the helpless and the poor?

3 Did ever mourner plead with Thee,
And Thou refuse that mourner's plea?
m Does not the word still fixed remain,
That none shall seek Thy face in vain?

mp 4 That were a grief I could not bear,
Didst Thou not hear and answer prayer;
m But a prayer-hearing, -answering God
Supports me under every load.

mf 5 Fair is the lot that's cast for me;
I have an Advocate with Thee;
And he is safe, and must succeed,
For whom the Lord vouchsafes to plead. AMEN.

Also Hymns 22, 96–104, 147, 179–189, 201, 235, 342–386.

PRAISE

395

'All Thy works shall praise Thee, O Lord; and Thy saints shall bless Thee.'

f SONGS of praise the angels sang,
Heaven with hallelujahs rang,
When Jehovah's work begun,
When He spake, and it was done.

2 Songs of praise awoke the morn
When the Prince of Peace was born;
Songs of praise arose when He
Captive led captivity.

3 Heaven and earth must pass away,
Songs of praise shall crown that day;
God will make new heavens, new earth,
Songs of praise shall hail their birth.

m 4 And can man alone be dumb,
Till that glorious kingdom come?
mf No! the Church delights to raise
Psalms, and hymns, and songs of praise.

5 Saints below, with heart and voice,
Still in songs of praise rejoice,
Learning here, by faith and love,
Songs of praise to sing above.

6 Borne upon their latest breath,
Songs of praise shall conquer death,
f Then, amidst eternal joy,
Songs of praise their powers employ.
AMEN.

396

'Whoso offereth praise glorifieth Me.'

mf ANGEL voices, ever singing
Round Thy throne of light,
Angel harps, for ever ringing,
Rest not day nor night;
f Thousands only live to bless Thee,
And confess Thee
Lord of might.

mp 2 Thou who art beyond the farthest
Mortal eye can scan,
Can it be that Thou regardest
Songs of sinful man?
Can we know that Thou art near us
And wilt hear us?
mf Yea, we can.

3 Yea, we know that Thou rejoicest
O'er each work of Thine;
Thou didst ears and hands and voices
For Thy praise design;
Craftsman's art and music's measure
For Thy pleasure
All combine.

m 4 In Thy house, great God, we offer
Of Thine own to Thee,
And for Thine acceptance proffer,
All unworthily,
Hearts and minds and hands and voices
In our choicest
Psalmody.

f 5 Honour, glory, might, and merit
Thine shall ever be,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
Blessèd Trinity.
Of the best that Thou hast given
Earth and heaven
Render Thee. AMEN.

THE SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

397 *'They brought young children to Him.'*

m A LITTLE child the Saviour came,
The Mighty God was still His name,
And angels worshipped as He lay
The seeming infant of a day.

2 He who, a little child, began
The life Divine to show to man
Proclaims from heaven the message free,
'Let little children come to Me.'

3 We bring them, Lord, and with the sign
Of sprinkled water name them Thine:
Their souls with saving grace endow;
Baptize them with Thy Spirit now.

4 O give Thine angels charge, good Lord,
Them safely in Thy way to guard;
Thy blessing on their lives command,
And write their names upon Thy hand.

5 O Thou who by an infant's tongue
Dost hear Thy perfect glory sung,
mf May these, with all the heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
AMEN.

398 *'I have lent him to the Lord; as long as he liveth he shall be lent to the Lord.'*

m BLESSÈD Jesus, here we stand,
Met to do as Thou hast spoken;
And this child, at Thy command,
Now we bring to Thee in token
That to Christ it here is given,
For of such shall be His heaven.

2 Therefore hasten we to Thee;
Take the pledge we bring, O take it;
Let us here Thy glory see,
And in tender pity make it
Now Thy child, and leave it never—
Thine on earth, and Thine for ever.

3 Make it, Head, Thy member now;
Shepherd, take Thy lamb and feed it;
Prince of Peace, its peace be Thou;
Way of life, to heaven O lead it;
Vine, this branch may nothing sever,
Grafted firm in Thee for ever.

mp 4 Now upon Thy heart it lies,
What our hearts so dearly treasure;
Heavenward lead our burdened sighs;
m Pour Thy blessing without measure;
Write the name we now have given,
Write it in the book of heaven.
AMEN.

399 *'He shall gather the lambs with His arm, and carry them in His bosom.'*

m SAVIOUR, who Thy flock art feeding
With the Shepherd's kindest care,
All the feeble gently leading,
While the lambs Thy bosom share,
Now, these little ones receiving,
Fold them in Thy gracious arm;
There, we know, Thy word believing,
Only there, secure from harm.

2 Never, from Thy pasture roving,
Let them be the lion's prey;
Let Thy tenderness, so loving,
Keep them all life's dangerous way;
mf Then, within Thy fold eternal
Let them find a resting-place,
Feed in pastures ever vernal,
Drink the rivers of Thy grace.
AMEN.

400 *'Suffer the little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.'*

m SEE Israel's gentle Shepherd stand
With all-engaging charms;
Hark! how He calls the tender lambs,
And folds them in His arms.

2 'Permit them to approach,' He cries,
'Nor scorn their humble name;
For 't was to bless such souls as these
The Lord of angels came.'

mf 3 We bring them, Lord, in thankful hands,
And yield them up to Thee,
Joyful that we ourselves are Thine;
Thine let our offspring be. AMEN.

401

'The promise is unto you, and to your children.'

mp O FATHER, Thou who hast created all
In wisest love, we pray,
Look on this babe, who at Thy gracious call
Is entering on life's way;
Bend o'er him in Thy tenderness,
Thine image on his soul impress;
O Father, hear.

2 O Son of God, who diedst for us, behold!
We bring our child to Thee;
Thou tender Shepherd, take him to Thy fold,
Thine own for aye to be;
Defend him through this earthly strife,
And lead him on the path of life,
O Son of God.

3 O Holy Ghost, who broodedst o'er the wave,
Descend upon this child;
Give him undying life, his spirit lave
With waters undefiled;
Grant him, while yet a babe, to be
A child of God, a home for Thee,
O Holy Ghost.

m 4 O Triune God, what Thou command'st is done;
We speak, but Thine the might;
This child hath scarce yet seen our earthly sun,
c Yet pour on him Thy light,
In faith and hope, in joy and love,
Thou Sun of all below, above,
O Triune God. AMEN.

402

'It is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish.'

mp FATHER, our children keep;
We know not what is coming on the earth;
Beneath the shadow of Thy heavenly wing
O keep them, keep them, Thou who gav'st them birth.

m 2 Father, draw nearer us;
Draw firmer round us Thy protecting arm;
O clasp our children closer to Thy side,
Uninjured in the day of earth's alarm.

mp 3 Them in Thy chambers hide;
O hide them and preserve them calm and safe,
When sin abounds, and error flows abroad,
And Satan tempts, and human passions chafe.

4 O keep them undefiled,
Unspotted from a tempting world of sin,
c That, clothed in white, through the bright city-gates,
They may with us in triumph enter in. AMEN.

FIRST COMMUNION

403

'I am Thine, save me.'

m THINE for ever! God of love,
Hear us from Thy throne above;
Thine for ever may we be,
Here and in eternity.

mf 2 Thine for ever! O how blest
They who find in Thee their rest!
Saviour, Guardian, Heavenly Friend,
O defend us to the end.

m 3 Thine for ever! Lord of life,
Shield us through our earthly strife;
Thou the Life, the Truth, the Way,
Guide us to the realms of day.

mp 4 Thine for ever! Shepherd, keep
These, Thy frail and trembling sheep;
Safe alone beneath Thy care,
Let us all Thy goodness share.

mf 5 Thine for ever! Thou our Guide,
All our wants by Thee supplied,
All our sins by Thee forgiven,
Led by Thee from earth to heaven.
AMEN.

404

'I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord.'

mf O HAPPY day, that fixed my choice
On Thee, my Saviour and my God!
Well may this glowing heart rejoice,
And tell its raptures all abroad.

2 O happy bond, that seals my vows
To Him who merits all my love!
Let cheerful anthems fill His house,
While to that sacred shrine I move.

3 'T is done! the great transaction 's done!
I am my Lord's, and He is mine;
He drew me, and I followed on,
Charmed to confess the voice Divine.

m 4 Now rest, my long-divided heart;
Fixed on this blissful centre, rest;
O who with earth would grudge to part,
When called with angels to be blest?

5 High heaven, that heard the solemn vow,
That vow renewed shall daily hear,
Till in life's latest hour I bow,
And bless in death a bond so dear.
AMEN.

405

'If any man serve Me, let him follow Me; and where I am, there shall also My servant be.'

m O JESUS, I have promised
To serve Thee to the end;
Be Thou for ever near me,
My Master and my Friend:
mf I shall not fear the battle
If Thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway
If Thou wilt be my Guide.

mp 2 O let me feel Thee near me:
The world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle,
The tempting sounds I hear;
My foes are ever near me,
Around me and within;
But, Jesus, draw Thou nearer,
And shield my soul from sin.

m 3 O let me hear Thee speaking
In accents clear and still,
Above the storms of passion,
The murmurs of self-will;
O speak to reassure me,
To hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen,
Thou Guardian of my soul.

mf 4 O Jesus, Thou hast promised,
To all who follow Thee,
That where Thou art in glory
There shall Thy servant be;
m And, Jesus, I have promised
To serve Thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow,
My Master and my Friend.

5 O let me see Thy footmarks,
And in them plant mine own;
My hope to follow duly
Is in Thy strength alone.
c O guide me, call me, draw me,
Uphold me to the end,
mf And then in heaven receive me,
My Saviour and my Friend.
AMEN.

406

'Leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.'

mp JESUS, Saviour, hear my call,
Sinful though my heart may be;
m Thou my Life, my Hope, my All,
Lord, abide with me.

mp 2 Lonely in a stranger land,
Cast me not away from Thee;
Lead me by Thy gentle hand:
Lord, abide with me.

m 3 Thou hast died the lost to save,
Died to set the captive free;
mf Thou didst triumph o'er the grave:
Lord, abide with me.

m 4 Fill me with Thy love Divine;
Consecrate my life to Thee;
Bend my stubborn will to Thine:
Lord, abide with me.

mp 5 When the shades of death prevail,
Father, let me cling to Thee;
When I pass the gloomy vale,
Still abide with me. AMEN.

Also Hymns 40, 41, 215, 246-261.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

407

'Jesus took bread, and blessed, and brake it, and gave to them, and said, Take, eat: this is My body. And He took the cup, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them: and they all drank of it.'

p 'T WAS on that night when doomed to know
The eager rage of every foe,
That night in which He was betrayed,
The Saviour of the world took bread;

m 2 And, after thanks and glory given
To Him that rules in earth and heaven,
That symbol of His flesh He broke,
And thus to all His followers spoke:

mp 3 'My broken body thus I give
For you, for all; take, eat, and live;
And oft the sacred rite renew
That brings My wondrous love to view.'

m 4 Then in His hands the cup He raised,
And God anew He thanked and praised,
While kindness in His bosom glowed,
And from His lips salvation flowed.

mp 5 'My blood I thus pour forth,' He cries,
'To cleanse the soul in sin that lies;
In this the covenant is sealed,
And Heaven's eternal grace revealed.

mf 6 'With love to man this cup is fraught,
Let all partake the sacred draught;
Through latest ages let it pour
In memory of My dying hour.'
AMEN.

408

'Thou preparest a table before me.'

m MY God, and is Thy table spread?
And does Thy cup with love o'erflow?
Thither be all Thy children led,
And let them all its sweetness know.

mf 2 Hail, sacred feast, which Jesus makes,
Rich banquet of His flesh and blood!
Thrice happy he who here partakes
That sacred stream, that heavenly food!

m 3 O let Thy table honoured be,
And furnished well with joyful guests;
And may each soul salvation see
That here its sacred pledges tastes.

4 Let crowds approach with hearts prepared;
With hearts inflamed let all attend,
Nor when we leave our Father's board
The pleasure or the profit end.

5 Revive Thy dying Churches, Lord,
And bid our drooping graces live;
And, more, that energy afford
A Saviour's love alone can give.
AMEN.

409

'The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?'

m COME, take by faith the body of your Lord,
And drink the blood of Christ for you outpoured.

mf 2 Salvation's Giver, Christ, the only Son,
Who by His cross and blood the victory won,

3 Offered was He for greatest and for least,
Himself the Victim and Himself the Priest.

m 4 Victims were offered by the law of old,
That in a type celestial mysteries told.

5 He, Ransomer from death, and Light from shade,
Giveth His holy grace His saints to aid.

6 Approach ye then with faithful hearts sincere,
And take the pledges of salvation here.

mf 7 He that His saints in this world rules and shields
To all believers life eternal yields,

8 With heavenly bread makes them that hunger whole,
Gives living waters to the thirsty soul.

mp 9 O Judge of all, our only Saviour Thou,
In this Thy feast of love, be with us now. AMEN.

410

'This do in remembrance of Me.'

mp ACCORDING to Thy gracious word,
In meek humility,
This will I do, my dying Lord,
I will remember Thee.

2 Thy body, broken for my sake,
My bread from heaven shall be;
Thy testamental cup I take,
And thus remember Thee.

p 3 Gethsemane can I forget?
Or there Thy conflict see,
Thine agony and bloody sweat,
And not remember Thee?

4 When to the cross I turn mine eyes,
And rest on Calvary,
c O Lamb of God, my sacrifice,
I must remember Thee,—

m 5 Remember Thee, and all Thy pains,
And all Thy love to me;
mf Yea, while a breath, a pulse remains,
Will I remember Thee.

p 6 And when these failing lips grow dumb,
And mind and memory flee,
mp When Thou shalt in Thy kingdom come,
Jesus, remember me. AMEN.

411

'Lord, I am not worthy that Thou shouldest come under my roof.'

mp I AM not worthy, holy Lord,
That Thou shouldst come to me;
m Speak but the word; one gracious word
Can set the sinner free.

mp 2 I am not worthy; cold and bare
The lodging of my soul;
How canst Thou deign to enter there?
Lord, speak, and make me whole.

m 3 I am not worthy; yet, my God,
How can I say Thee nay,
Thee, who didst give Thy flesh and blood
My ransom price to pay?

4 O come, in this sweet morning[1] hour
Feed me with food Divine;
And fill with all Thy love and power
This worthless heart of mine.
AMEN.

[1] *Or* evening.

412

'They shall look on Him whom they pierced.

mp JESUS, to Thy table led,
Now let every heart be fed
With the true and living bread.

2 When we taste the mystic wine,
Of Thine outpoured blood the sign,
Fill our hearts with love Divine.

p 3 While upon Thy cross we gaze,
Mourning o'er our sinful ways,
mp Turn our sadness into praise.

4 Draw us to Thy wounded side,
Whence there flowed the healing tide;
There our sins and sorrows hide.

m 5 From the bonds of sin release;
Cold and wavering faith increase;
Lamb of God, grant us Thy peace.

mp 6 Lead us by Thy pierced hand,
mf Till around Thy throne we stand
In the bright and better land.
AMEN.

413

'Remember, O Lord, Thy loving-kindnesses, for they have been ever of old.'

I.

m GOD of God, and Light of light,
King of glory, Lord of might,
p Hear us, Holy Jesus.

2 Shepherd, whom the Father gave
His lost sheep to find and save,
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

3 Priest and Victim, whom of old
Type and prophecy foretold,
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

4 King of Salem, Priest Divine,
Bringing forth Thy bread and wine,
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

5 Paschal Lamb, whose sprinkled blood
Saves the Israel of God,
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

6 Manna, found at dawn of day,
Pilgrim's food in desert-way,
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

7 By the love on that last night
That ordained the better rite
Save us, Holy Jesus.

8 By the death that could alone
For the whole world's sin atone
Save us, Holy Jesus.

II.

'We will remember thy love.'

mp 9 That we may remember still
Kedron's brook and Calvary's hill
Grant us, Holy Jesus.

10 That our thankful hearts may glow
As Thy precious death we show
Grant us, Holy Jesus.

11 That Thy sacred flesh and blood
Be our true life-giving food
Grant us, Holy Jesus.

12 That in all our words and ways
We may daily show Thy praise
Grant us, Holy Jesus.

13 That, as death's dark vale we tread,
Thou mayst be our strengthening Bread
Grant us, Holy Jesus.

14 That, unworthy though we be,
We may ever dwell with Thee
Grant us, Holy Jesus.
AMEN.

414

'The bread of God is He which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world.'

m BREAD of the world, in mercy broken,
Wine of the soul, in mercy shed,
By whom the words of life were spoken,
And in whose death our sins are dead,
mp Look on the heart by sorrow broken,
Look on the tears by sinners shed;
m And be Thy feast to us the token
That by Thy grace our souls are fed. AMEN.

415

'He took bread, and blessed it, and brake, and gave to them. And their eyes were opened, and they knew Him.'

m HERE, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face;
Here would I touch and handle things unseen,
Here grasp with firmer hand the eternal grace,
And all my weariness upon Thee lean.

2 Here would I feed upon the bread of God,
Here drink with Thee the royal wine of heaven;
Here would I lay aside each earthly load,
Here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiven.

mf 3 This is the hour of banquet and of song;
This is the heavenly table spread for me;
Here let me feast, and, feasting, still prolong
The brief, bright hour of fellowship with Thee.

mp 4 Too soon we rise; the symbols disappear;
The feast, though not the love, is past and gone;
The bread and wine remove, (*c*) but Thou art here,
Nearer than ever, still my Shield and Sun.

m 5 I have no help but Thine; nor do I need
Another arm save Thine to lean upon;
It is enough, my Lord, enough indeed;
My strength is in Thy might, Thy might alone.

6 Mine is the sin, but Thine the righteousness;
Mine is the guilt, but Thine the cleansing blood;
mf Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace—
Thy blood, Thy righteousness, O Lord my God.

mp 7 Feast after feast thus comes and passes by,
c Yet, passing, points to the glad feast above,
Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,
mf The Lamb's great bridal feast of bliss and love. AMEN.

416

'He that eateth My flesh, and drinketh My blood, dwelleth in Me, and I in him.'

m O BREAD of Life, from heaven
To pilgrim saints now given,
O Manna from above,
The souls that hunger feed Thou,
The hearts that seek Thee lead Thou
With Thy sweet, tender love.

2 O fount of grace redeeming,
O river ever streaming
From Jesus' holy side!
Come Thou, Thyself bestowing
On thirsting souls, and flowing
Till all are satisfied.

mp 3 Jesus, this feast receiving,
Thy word of truth believing,
We Thee unseen adore;
c Grant, when the veil is rended,
That we, to heaven ascended,
May see Thee evermore.
AMEN.

417

'As often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till He come.'

mp BY Christ redeemed, in Christ restored,
We keep the memory adored,
And show the death of our dear Lord
Until He come.

2 His body broken in our stead
Is here, in this memorial bread,
And so our feeble love is fed
Until He come.

p 3 The drops of His dread agony,
His life-blood shed for us, we see;
The wine shall tell the mystery
Until He come.

mp 4 And thus that dark betrayal night
With the last advent we unite,
By one blest chain of loving rite,
Until He come;

m 5 Until the trump of God be heard,
Until the ancient graves be stirred,
And with the great commanding word
The Lord shall come.

mf 6 O blessèd hope! with this elate,
Let not our hearts be desolate,
But, strong in faith, in patience wait
Until He come.
AMEN.

418

'My flesh is meat indeed, and My blood is drink indeed.'

mp SWEET feast of love Divine!
'Tis grace that makes us free
To feed upon this bread and wine,
In memory, Lord, of Thee.

m 2 Here every welcome guest
Waits, Lord, from Thee to learn
The secrets of Thy Father's breast,
And all Thy grace discern.

3 Here conscience ends its strife,
And faith delights to prove
The sweetness of the bread of life,
The fulness of Thy love.

mp 4 That blood that flowed for sin
In symbol here we see,
m And feel the blessèd pledge within
That we are loved of Thee.

5 O, if this glimpse of love
Is so divinely sweet,
mf What will it be, O Lord, above,
Thy gladdening smile to meet,

6 To see Thee face to face,
Thy perfect likeness wear,
And all Thy ways of wondrous grace
Through endless years declare?
AMEN.

419

'I will come again, and receive you unto Myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.'

mp 'TILL He come!' O let the words
Linger on the trembling chords;
Let the 'little while' between
In their golden light be seen;
Let us think how heaven and home
Lie beyond that 'Till He come.'

p 2 When the weary ones we love
Enter on their rest above,
Seems the earth so poor and vast,
All our life joy overcast?

pp Hush, be every murmur dumb;
c It is only till He come.

mp 3 Clouds and conflicts round us press;
Would we have one sorrow less?
All the sharpness of the cross,
All that tells the world is loss,
Death, and darkness, and the tomb
Only whisper, 'Till He come.'

m 4 See! the feast of love is spread;
Drink the wine, and eat the bread—
Sweet memorials, till the Lord
Call us round His heavenly board,
Some from earth, from glory some,
Severed only till He come. AMEN.

420

'Jesus took bread, and blessed it .. And He took the cup, and gave thanks.'

mf FOR the bread and for the wine,
For the pledge that seals Him mine,
For the words of love Divine,
We give Thee thanks, O Lord.

2 For the feast of love and peace,
Bidding all our sorrows cease,
Earnest of the kingdom's bliss,
We give Thee thanks, O Lord.

m 3 Only bread and only wine,
Yet to faith the seal and sign
Of the heavenly and Divine!
We give Thee thanks, O Lord.

mp 4 For the words that turn our eye
To the cross of Calvary,
Bidding us in faith draw nigh.
We give Thee thanks, O Lord.

m 5 For the words that tell of home,
Pointing us beyond the tomb,
'Do ye this until I come,'
We give Thee thanks, O Lord.

mf 6 For that coming, here foreshown,
For that day to man unknown,
For the glory and the throne,
We give Thee thanks, O Lord.
AMEN.

Also Hymns
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ALMSGIVING AND BENEFICENCE

421

'Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me.'

mf FOUNTAIN of good, to own Thy love
Our thankful hearts incline;
What can we render, Lord, to Thee,
When all the worlds are Thine?

m 2 But Thou hast needy brethren here,
Partakers of Thy grace,
Whose names Thou wilt Thyself confess
Before the Father's face.

3 And in their accents of distress
Thy pleading voice is heard;
In them Thou mayst be clothed and fed,
And visited and cheered.

4 Thy face with reverence and with love
We in Thy poor would see;
c O may we minister to them,
And in them, Lord, to Thee.
AMEN.

422

'God loveth a cheerful giver.'

mf LORD, Thou lov'st the cheerful giver,
Who with open heart and hand
Blesses freely, as a river
That refreshes all the land;
Grant us, then, the grace of giving
With a spirit large and free,
That our life and all our living
We may consecrate to Thee.

mp 2 Thine own life Thou freely gavest
As an offering on the cross
For each sinner whom Thou savest
From eternal shame and loss.

m Blest by Thee with gifts and graces,
May we heed Thy Church's call,
Gladly in all times and places
Give to Thee who givest all.

3 Saviour, Thou hast freely given
All the blessings we enjoy,
Earthly store and bread of heaven,
Love and peace without alloy;
mp Humbly now we bow before Thee,
And our all to Thee resign;
mf For the kingdom, power, and glory
Are, O Lord, for ever Thine.
AMEN.

423

'Freely ye have received, freely give.'

mf O LORD of heaven and earth and sea,
To Thee all praise and glory be;
How shall we show our love to Thee,
Who givest all?

m 2 The golden sunshine, vernal air,
Sweet flowers and fruits Thy love declare;
Where harvests ripen, Thou art there,
Who givest all.

3 For peaceful homes and healthful days,
For all the blessings earth displays,
We owe Thee thankfulness and praise,
Who givest all.

mp 4 Thou didst not spare Thine only Son,
But gav'st Him for a world undone,
c And freely with that blessèd One
Thou givest all.

mf 5 Thou giv'st the Spirit's blessèd dower,
Spirit of life and love and power,
And dost His sevenfold graces shower
Upon us all.

6 For souls redeemed, for sins forgiven,
For means of grace and hopes of heaven,
Father, what can to Thee be given,
Who givest all?

mp 7 We lose what on ourselves we spend,
m We have as treasure without end
Whatever, Lord, to Thee we lend,
Who givest all.

8 Whatever, Lord, we lend to Thee
Repaid a thousandfold will be;
mf Then gladly will we give to Thee,
Who givest all,—

9 To Thee, from whom we all derive
Our life, our gifts, our power to give;
m O may we ever with Thee live,
Who givest all. AMEN.

424

'As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another.'

m FROM Thee all skill and science flow,
All pity, care, and love,
All calm and courage, faith and hope;
O pour them from above;

2 And part them, Lord, to each and all,
As each and all shall need,
To rise like incense, each to Thee,
In noble thought and deed.

mf 3 And hasten, Lord, that perfect day
When pain and death shall cease,
And Thy just rule shall fill the earth
With health and light and peace;

4 When ever blue the sky shall gleam,
And ever green the sod,
And man's rude work deface no more
The Paradise of God. AMEN.

425

'All things come of Thee, and of Thine own have we given Thee.'

m WE give Thee but Thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

2 May we Thy bounties thus
As stewards true receive,
mf And gladly, as Thou blessest us,
To Thee our first-fruits give.

mp 3 O hearts are bruised and dead,
And homes are bare and cold,
And lambs for whom the Shepherd bled
Are straying from the fold;

m 4 To comfort and to bless,
To find a balm for woe,
To tend the lone and fatherless,
Is angels' work below.

5 The captive to release,
To God the lost to bring,
To teach the way of life and peace,
It is a Christ-like thing.

6 And we believe Thy word,
Though dim our faith may be,—
mf Whate'er for Thine we do, O Lord,
We do it unto Thee. AMEN.

426

'Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.'

mp O THOU through suffering perfect made,
On whom the bitter cross was laid,
In hours of sickness, grief, and pain
No sufferer turns to Thee in vain.

m 2 The halt, the maimed, the sick, the blind
Sought not in vain Thy tendance kind;
Now in Thy poor Thyself we see,
And minister through them to Thee.

mp 3 O loving Saviour, Thou canst cure
The pains and woes Thou didst endure;
For all who need, Physician great,
Thy healing balm we supplicate.

4 But O, far more, let each keen pain
And hour of woe be heavenly gain,
Each stroke of Thy chastising rod
Bring back the wanderer nearer God.

5 O heal the bruisèd heart within;
O save our souls all sick with sin;
mf Give life and health in bounteous store,
That we may praise Thee evermore.
AMEN.

427

'They brought unto Him all sick people that were taken with divers diseases . . and He healed them.'

mp THOU to whom the sick and dying
Ever came, nor came in vain,
Still with healing words replying
To the wearied cry of pain,
Hear us, Jesus, as we meet,
Suppliants at Thy mercy-seat.

m 2 Still the weary, sick, and dying
Need a brother's, sister's care;
On Thy higher help relying,
May we now their burden share,
Bringing all our offerings meet,
Suppliants at Thy mercy-seat.

3 May each child of Thine be willing,
Willing both in hand and heart,
All the law of love fulfilling,
Ever comfort to impart,
Ever bringing offerings meet,
Suppliant to Thy mercy-seat.

4 So may sickness, sin, and sadness
To Thy healing power yield,
c Till the sick and sad, in gladness,
Rescued, ransomed, cleansed, healed.
mf One in Thee together meet,
Pardoned at Thy judgment-seat.
AMEN.

428

'Bring thank offerings into the house of the Lord.'

m HERE, Lord, we offer Thee all that is fairest,
Bloom from the garden and flowers from the field,
mp Gifts for the stricken ones, (*m*) knowing Thou carest
More for the love than the wealth that we yield.

mp 2 Send, Lord, by these to the sick and the dying,
Speak to their hearts with a message of peace;
Comfort the sad who in weakness are lying,
p Grant the departing a gentle release.

m 3 Raise, Lord, to health again those who have sickened;
Fair be their lives as the roses in bloom;
Give, of Thy grace, to the souls Thou hast quickened
Gladness for sorrow and brightness for gloom.

mp 4 We, Lord, like flowers, must bloom and must wither;
d We, like these blossoms, must fade and must die;
mf Gather us, Lord, to Thy bosom for ever,
Grant us a place in Thy home in the sky. AMEN.

MISSIONS

429

'And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.'

mf THOU whose almighty word
Chaos and darkness heard
And took their flight,
mp Hear us, we humbly pray,
And where the gospel day
Sheds not its glorious ray
mf Let there be light.

m 2 Thou who didst come to bring
On Thy redeeming wing
Healing and sight,
Health to the sick in mind,
Sight to the inly blind,
mf O now to all mankind
Let there be light.

m 3 Spirit of truth and love,
Life-giving, holy Dove,
Speed forth Thy flight;
Move o'er the waters' face,
Bearing the lamp of grace,
mf And in earth's darkest place
Let there be light.

m 4 Blessed and holy Three,
Glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, Love, Might,
mf Boundless as ocean's tide
Rolling in fullest pride,
f Through the world far and wide
Let there be light. AMEN.

430

'Let God arise.'

mf O LORD our God, arise!
The cause of truth maintain,
And wide o'er all the peopled world
Extend her blessèd reign.

2 Thou Prince of life, arise!
Nor let Thy glory cease;
Far spread the conquests of Thy grace,
And bless the earth with peace.

m 3 Thou Holy Ghost, arise!
Expand Thy quickening wing,
And o'er a dark and ruined world
Let light and order spring.

f 4 All on the earth, arise!
To God the Saviour sing;
From shore to shore, from earth to heaven,
Let echoing anthems ring. AMEN.

431

'Jesus was moved with compassion toward them, because they were as sheep not having a shepherd: and He began to teach them.'

mp LOOK from the sphere of endless day,
O God of mercy and of might,
In pity look on those who stray,
Benighted in this land of light.

2 In peopled vale, in lonely glen,
In crowded mart, by stream or sea,
How many of the sons of men
Hear not the message sent from Thee!

m 3 Send forth Thy heralds, Lord, to call
The thoughtless young, the hardened old,
A wandering flock, and bring them all
To the Good Shepherd's peaceful fold.

4 Send them Thy mighty word to speak,
Till faith shall dawn and doubt depart,
To awe the bold, to stay the weak,
And bind and heal the broken heart.

5 Then all these wastes, a dreary scene,
On which, with sorrowing eyes, we gaze,
mf Shall grow, with living waters, green,
And lift to heaven the voice of praise. AMEN.

432

'Arise, and be doing, and the Lord be with thee.'

mf SOLDIERS of the cross, arise!
Gird you with your armour bright;
Mighty are your enemies,
Hard the battle ye must fight.

2 O'er a faithless fallen world
Raise your banner in the sky;
Let it float there wide unfurled;
c Bear it onward; lift it high.

m 3 'Mid the homes of want and woe,
Strangers to the living word,
Let the Saviour's herald go,
Let the voice of hope be heard.

mp 4 Where the shadows deepest lie,
Carry truth's unsullied ray;
Where are crimes of blackest dye,
There the saving sign display.

5 To the weary and the worn
Tell of realms where sorrows cease;
To the outcast and forlorn
Speak of mercy and of peace.

6 Guard the helpless; seek the strayed;
Comfort troubles; banish grief;
m In the might of God arrayed,
Scatter sin and unbelief.

mf 7 Be the banner still unfurled,
Still unsheathed the Spirit's sword,
f Till the kingdoms of the world
Are the kingdom of the Lord.
AMEN.

433

'Here am I; send me.'

m HARK! the voice of Jesus crying,
mp 'Who will go and work to-day?
Fields are white, and harvests waiting,
Who will bear the sheaves away?'
m Loud and long the Master calleth,
Rich reward He offers free;
Who will answer, gladly saying,
mf 'Here am I; send me, send me'?

m 2 If you cannot cross the ocean.
And the heathen lands explore,
You can find the heathen nearer,
You can help them at your door;
If you cannot give your thousands,
You can give the widow's mite,
And the least you give for Jesus
Will be precious in His sight.

3 If you cannot be the watchman
Standing high on Zion's wall,
Pointing out the path to heaven,
Offering life and peace to all,
With your prayers and with your bounties
You can do what Heaven demands;
You can be like faithful Aaron
Holding up the prophet's hands.

4 Let none hear you idly saying,
'There is nothing I can do,'
While the souls of men are dying,
And the Master calls for you.
mf Take the task He gives you gladly;
Let His work your pleasure be;
Answer quickly when He calleth,
'Here am I; send me, send me.'
AMEN.

434

'Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in.'

m RESCUE the perishing, care for the dying;
Snatch them in pity from sin and the grave;
Weep o'er the erring one, lift up the fallen;
c Tell them of Jesus, the mighty to save.
mf [*Rescue the perishing, care for the dying;*
Jesus is merciful, Jesus will save.]

m 2 Though they are slighting Him, still He is waiting,
Waiting the penitent child to receive;
Plead with them earnestly, plead with them gently;
He will forgive if they only believe.

3 Down in the human heart, crushed by the tempter,
Feelings lie buried that grace can restore;
Touched by a loving heart, wakened by kindness,
Chords that were broken will vibrate once more.

mf 4 Rescue the perishing,—duty demands it;
Strength for thy labour the Lord will provide;
Back to the narrow way patiently win them;
Tell the poor wanderer a Saviour has died.
AMEN.

435

'Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of the Lord.'

mf ARM of the Lord, awake, awake!
Put on Thy strength, the nations shake,
And let the world, adoring, see
Triumphs of mercy wrought by Thee.

2 Say to the heathen from Thy throne,
'I am Jehovah, God alone';
f Thy voice their idols shall confound,
And cast their altars to the ground.

m 3 Let Zion's time of favour come;
O bring the tribes of Israel home;
And let our wondering eyes behold
Gentiles and Jews in Jesus' fold.

mf 4 Almighty God, Thy grace proclaim
In every clime of every name;
Let adverse powers before Thee fall,
c And crown the Saviour Lord of all.
AMEN.

436

'Oh that the salvation of Israel were come out of Zion!'

m O THAT the Lord's salvation
Were out of Zion come,
To heal His ancient nation,
To lead His outcasts home!

mp 2 How long the holy city
Shall heathen feet profane?
m Return, O Lord, in pity;
Rebuild her walls again.

3 Let fall Thy rod of terror;
Thy saving grace impart;
Roll back the veil of error;
Release the fettered heart.

mf 4 Let Israel, home returning,
Her lost Messiah see;
Give oil of joy for mourning,
And bind Thy Church to Thee.
AMEN.

437

'Beloved for the fathers' sakes.'

m WHEN Israel of the Lord beloved
Out of the land of bondage came,
Her fathers' God before her moved,
An awful guide in smoke and flame.

2 By day, along the astonished lands
The cloudy pillar glided slow;
By night, Arabia's crimsoned sands
Returned the fiery column's glow.

mf 3 There rose the choral hymn of praise,
And trump and timbrel answered keen,
And Zion's daughters poured their lays,
With priest's and warrior's voice between.

mp 4 No portents now their foes amaze;
Forsaken Israel wanders lone;
Their fathers would not know Thy ways,
And Thou hast left them to their own.

m 5 But, present still, though now unseen,
When brightly shines the prosperous day,
Be thoughts of Thee a cloudy screen
To temper the deceitful ray.

mp 6 And O, when stoops on Judah's path
In shade and storm the frequent night,
m Be Thou, long-suffering, slow to wrath,
A burning and a shining light!
AMEN.

438

'Men shall be blessed in Him: all nations shall call Him blessed.'

mf JESUS shall reign where'er the sun
Does his successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

2 For Him shall endless prayer be made,
And praises throng to crown His head;
His name like sweet perfume shall rise
With every morning sacrifice.

3 People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on His love with sweetest song;
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His name.

4 Blessings abound where'er He reigns:
The prisoner leaps to lose his chains,
The weary find eternal rest,
And all the sons of want are blest.

f 5 Let every creature rise and bring
Peculiar honours to our King,
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the long 'Amen.'
AMEN.

439

'I will go before thee, and make the crooked places straight: I will break in pieces the gates of brass, and cut in sunder the bars of iron.'

mf LIFT up your heads, ye gates of brass,
Ye bars of iron, yield,
And let the King of Glory pass;
The cross is in the field.

m 2 That banner, brighter than the star
That leads the train of night,
Shines on their march, and guides from far
His servants to the fight.

3 Ye armies of the living God,
His sacramental host,
Where hallowed footstep never trod,
Take your appointed post.

4 Follow the cross; the ark of peace
Accompany your path,
To slaves and rebels bring release
From bondage and from wrath.

5 Though few and small and weak your bands,
Strong in your Captain's strength,
mf Go to the conquest of all lands;
All must be His at length.

6 O fear not, faint not, halt not now;
Quit you like men, be strong;
To Christ shall every nation bow,
And sing with you this song:

f 7 'Uplifted are the gates of brass;
The bars of iron yield;
Behold the King of Glory pass!
The cross hath won the field.'
AMEN.

440

'In His days shall the righteous flourish; and abundance of peace so long as the moon endureth.'

f HAIL to the Lord's Anointed,
Great David's greater Son!
Hail, in the time appointed,
His reign on earth begun!
nf He comes to break oppression,
To let the captive free,
To take away transgression,
And rule in equity.

m 2 He comes with succour speedy
To those who suffer wrong,
To help the poor and needy,
And bid the weak be strong,
mf To give them songs for sighing,
Their darkness turn to light
m Whose souls, condemned and dying,
Were precious in His sight.

mf 3 By such shall He be fearèd
While sun and moon endure,
Beloved, obeyed, reverèd,
For He shall judge the poor,
Through changing generations,
With justice, mercy, truth,
While stars maintain their stations
Or moons renew their youth.

m 4 He shall come down like showers
Upon the fruitful earth,
And love, joy, hope, like flowers,
Spring in His path to birth.
Before Him, on the mountains,
Shall peace, the herald, go,
And righteousness in fountains
From hill to valley flow.

mf 5 Arabia's desert ranger
To Him shall bow the knee,
The Ethiopian stranger
His glory come to see;
With offerings of devotion,
Ships from the isles shall meet,
To pour the wealth of ocean
In tribute at His feet.

6 Kings shall fall down before Him,
And gold and incense bring;
All nations shall adore Him,
His praise all people sing;
f For He shall have dominion
O'er river, sea, and shore,
Far as the eagle's pinion
Or dove's light wing can soar

m 7 For Him shall prayer unceasing
And daily vows ascend,
c His kingdom still increasing,
A kingdom without end.

mf The mountain dews shall nourish
A seed, in weakness sown,
Whose fruit shall spread and flourish
And shake like Lebanon.

f 8 O'er every foe victorious,
He on His throne shall rest,
From age to age more glorious,
All blessing and all-blest.
The tide of time shall never
His covenant remove;
His name shall stand for ever;
That name to us is Love. AMEN.

441

'Come over . . and help us.'

m FROM Greenland's icy mountains,
From India's coral strand,
Where Afric's sunny fountains
Roll down their golden sand,
From many an ancient river,
From many a palmy plain,
They call us to deliver
Their land from error's chain.

mp 2 What though the spicy breezes
Blow soft o'er Ceylon's isle,
Though every prospect pleases,
And only man is vile;
In vain with lavish kindness
The gifts of God are strown,
The heathen in his blindness
Bows down to wood and stone.

m 3 Can we, whose souls are lighted
With wisdom from on high,
Can we to men benighted
The lamp of life deny?
mf Salvation! O salvation!
The joyful sound proclaim,
Till each remotest nation
Has learnt Messiah's name.

4 Waft, waft, ye winds, His story,
And you, ye waters, roll,
c Till, like a sea of glory,
It spreads from pole to pole;
f Till o'er our ransomed nature
The Lamb for sinners slain,
Redeemer, King, Creator,
In bliss returns to reign. AMEN.

442

'I will give Thee for a light to the Gentiles, that Thou mayest be My salvation unto the end of the earth.'

m FROM the eastern mountains
Pressing on they come,
Wise men in their wisdom,
To His humble home,

Stirred by deep devotion,
Hasting from afar,
Ever journeying onward,
Guided by a star.

mp 2 There their Lord and Saviour
Meek and lowly lay,
mf Wondrous Light that led them
Onward on their way,
Ever now to lighten
Nations from afar,
As they journey homeward
By that guiding Star.

m 3 Thou who in a manger
Once hast lowly lain,
Who dost now in glory
O'er all kingdoms reign,
Gather in the heathen,
Who in lands afar
Ne'er have seen the brightness
Of Thy guiding star.

4 Gather in the outcasts,
All who've gone astray,
Throw Thy radiance o'er them,
Guide them on their way;
Those who never knew Thee,
Those who've wandered far,
Guide them by the brightness
Of Thy guiding star.

mf 5 Onward through the darkness
Of the lonely night,
Shining still before them
With Thy kindly light,
Guide them, Jew and Gentile,
Homeward from afar,
Young and old together,
By Thy guiding star. AMEN.

443

'The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth labourers into His harvest.'

mp LORD, her watch Thy Church is keeping;
When shall earth Thy rule obey?
When shall end the night of weeping,
When shall break the promised day?
See the whitening harvest languish,
Waiting still the labourers' toil;
p Was it vain, Thy Son's deep anguish?
Shall the strong retain the spoil?

mp 2 Tidings, sent to every creature,
Millions yet have never heard;
m Can they hear without a preacher?
mf Lord Almighty, give the word.
Give the word; in every nation
Let the gospel trumpet sound,
Witnessing a world's salvation,
To the earth's remotest bound.

f 3 Then the end,—Thy Church completed,
All Thy chosen gathered in,
With their King in glory seated,
Satan bound, and banished sin,
Gone for ever parting, weeping,
Hunger, sorrow, death, and pain.
Lo! her watch Thy Church is keeping;
Come, Lord Jesus, come to reign.
AMEN.

444

'Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.'

m O'ER those gloomy hills of darkness
Look, my soul; be still, and gaze;
mf All the promises do travail
With a glorious day of grace:
f Blessèd jubilee!
Let thy glorious morning dawn.

m 2 Let the Indian, let the Negro,
Let the rude barbarian see
That Divine and glorious conquest
Once obtained on Calvary;
mf Let the gospel
Loud resound from pole to pole.

3 Kingdoms wide that sit in darkness,
Let them have the glorious light;
And from eastern coast to western
May the morning chase the night,
And redemption,
Freely purchased, win the day.

4 Fly abroad, eternal gospel,
Win and conquer, never cease;
May thy lasting wide dominions
Multiply and still increase;
May thy sceptre
Sway the enlightened world around. AMEN.

445

'So shall He sprinkle many nations.'

m SAVIOUR, sprinkle many nations,
Fruitful let Thy sorrows be;
By Thy pains and consolations
Draw the Gentiles unto Thee.

Of Thy cross the wondrous story,
Be it to the nations told;
nf Let them see Thee in Thy glory
And Thy mercy manifold.

np 2 Far and wide, though all unknowing,
Pants for Thee each mortal breast;
Human tears for Thee are flowing,
Human hearts in Thee would rest.
Thirsting, as for dews of even,
As the new-mown grass for rain,
n Thee they seek as God of heaven,
Thee as Man for sinners slain.

nf 3 Saviour, lo! the isles are waiting,
Stretched the hand and strained the sight,
For Thy Spirit, new creating,
Love's pure flame, and wisdom's light;
Give the word, and of the preacher
Speed the foot and touch the tongue,
Till on earth by every creature
Glory to the Lamb be sung.
AMEN.

446

'The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of His Christ; and He shall reign for ever and ever.'

nf O NORTH, with all thy vales of green,
O South, with all thy palms,
From peopled towns and fields between
Uplift the voice of psalms;
Raise, ancient East, the anthem high,
And let the youthful West reply.

2 Lo! in the clouds of heaven appears
God's well-beloved Son;
He brings a train of brighter years;
His kingdom is begun.
He comes, a guilty world to bless
With mercy, truth, and righteousness

3 O Father, haste the promised hour
When at His feet shall lie
All rule, authority, and power
Beneath the ample sky,
When He shall reign from pole to pole,
The Lord of every human soul;

m 4 When all shall heed the words He said
Amid their daily cares,
And by the loving life He led
Shall seek to pattern theirs,
mf And He who conquered death shall win
The nobler conquest over sin.
AMEN.

447

'Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.'

mf HARK! the song of jubilee,
Loud as mighty thunders' roar,
Or the fulness of the sea
When it breaks upon the shore.
f Hallelujah! for the Lord
God omnipotent shall reign;
Hallelujah! let the word
Echo round the earth and main.

mf 2 Hallelujah! hark! the sound,
From the depths unto the skies,
Wakes above, beneath, around,
All creation's harmonies:
See Jehovah's banner furled,
Sheathed His sword; He speaks
—'t is done,
And the kingdoms of this world
Are the kingdoms of His Son.

f 3 He shall reign from pole to pole
With illimitable sway;
He shall reign when, like a scroll,
Yonder heavens have passed away;
Then the end; beneath His rod
Man's last enemy shall fall;
ff Hallelujah! Christ in God,
God in Christ, is all in all. AMEN.

Also Hymns
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THE CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

448

'Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto Me.'

m POUR out Thy Spirit from on high;
Lord, Thine ordained servants bless;
Graces and gifts to each supply,
And clothe Thy priests with righteousness.

2 Within Thy temple when they stand,
To teach the truth, as taught by Thee,
Saviour, like stars in Thy right hand
The angels of the churches be.

3 Wisdom and zeal and faith impart,
Firmness with meekness, from above,
To bear Thy people on their heart,
And love the souls whom Thou dost love;

4 To watch and pray, and never faint;
By day and night strict guard to keep;
To warn the sinner, cheer the saint,
Nourish Thy lambs, and feed Thy sheep;

mp 5 Then, when their work is finished here,
In humble hope their charge resign.
When the Chief Shepherd shall appear,
O God, may they and we be Thine.
AMEN.

449

'He ordained twelve, that they should be with Him, and that He might send them forth to preach.'

m WE pray Thee, Jesus, who didst first
The sacred band ordain,
In order due and holy life
Thy Church sustain.

2 We pray Thee, Jesus, with Thy gifts
Thy chosen servants bless,
With doctrine incorrupt and pure,
And righteousness.

3 We pray Thee, Jesus, that their course
May still be clothed with power,
With miracles of love and strength,
Meet for the hour.

4 O Holy Ghost, Anointer, come,
Pastor and people fill,
mf Till all the happy tribes of earth
Shall do His will.

f 5 Then to the Father, and the Son,
And Holy Ghost her praise
One living, undivided Church
Shall ever raise. AMEN.

450

'He gave some . . pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ.'

m O THOU who makest souls to shine
With light from brighter worlds above,
And droppest glistening dew Divine
On all who seek a Saviour's love,

2 Do Thou Thy benediction give
On all who teach, on all who learn,
That all Thy Church may holier live,
And every lamp more brightly burn.

3 Give those that teach pure hearts and wise,
Faith, hope, and love, all warmed by prayer;
Themselves first training for the skies,
They best will raise their people there.

4 Give those that learn the willing ear,
The spirit meek, the guileless mind;
Such gifts will make the lowliest here
Far better than a kingdom find.

5 O bless the shepherd, bless the sheep,
That guide and guided both be one,
One in the faithful watch they keep,
Until this hurrying life be done.

mf 6 If thus, good Lord, Thy grace be given,
Our glory meets us ere we die;
Before we upward pass to heaven,
We taste our immortality. AMEN.

451

'Labourers together with God.'

mf SHINE Thou upon us, Lord,
True Light of men, to-day,
And through the written word
Thy very self display,
That so from hearts which burn
With gazing on Thy face
Thy little ones may learn
The wonders of Thy grace.

m 2 Breathe Thou upon us, Lord,
Thy Spirit's living flame,
That so with one accord
Our lips may tell Thy name.
Give Thou the hearing ear,
Fix Thou the wandering thought,
That those we teach may hear
The great things Thou hast wrought.

3 Speak Thou for us, O Lord,
In all we say of Thee;
According to Thy word
Let all our teaching be,
That so Thy lambs may know
Their own true Shepherd's voice,
Where'er He leads them go,
And in His love rejoice.

mf 4 Live Thou within us, Lord;
Thy mind and will be ours;
Be Thou beloved, adored,
And served with all our powers,
That so our lives may teach
Thy children what Thou art,
And plead, by more than speech,
For Thee with every heart.

AMEN.

452

'Go, and the Lord be with thee.'

m LORD of the living harvest
That whitens o'er the plain,
Where angels soon shall gather
Their sheaves of golden grain,
Accept fresh hands to labour,
Fresh hearts to trust and love,
And deign with them to hasten
Thy kingdom from above.

2 As labourers in Thy vineyard,
Lord, send them out to be,
mp Content to bear the burden
Of weary days for Thee,
Content to ask no wages
When Thou shalt call them home,
c But to have shared the travail
That makes Thy kingdom come.

mf 3 Be with them, God the Father,
Be with them, God the Son,
Be with them, God the Spirit,
Eternal Three in One!
Make them a royal priesthood,
Thee rightly to adore,
And fill them with Thy fulness
Now and for evermore. AMEN.

453

'Recommended to the grace of God for the work which they fulfilled.'

mf SPEED Thy servants, Saviour,
speed them;
Thou art Lord of winds and waves;
They were bound, but Thou hast
freed them,
Now they go to free the slaves;
Be Thou with them;
'T is Thine arm alone that saves.

m 2 Friends and home and all forsaking,
Lord, they go at Thy command,
As their stay Thy promise taking,
While they traverse sea and land;
O be with them;
Lead them safely by the hand.

mp 3 When they reach the land of
strangers,
And the prospect dark appears,
Nothing seen but toils and dangers,
Nothing felt but doubts and fears,
Be Thou with them;
Hear their sighs and count their
tears.

4 Where no fruit appears to cheer
them,
And they seem to toil in vain,
Then in mercy, Lord, draw near
them,
Then their sinking hopes sustain;
m Thus supported,
Let their zeal revive again.

5 In the midst of opposition,
Let them trust, O Lord, in Thee;
When success attends their mission,
Let Thy servants humbler be;
mf Never leave them,
Till Thy face in heaven they see.

AMEN.

THE CHURCH'S UNITY AND DEFENCE

454

'The church of God, which He hath purchased with His own blood.'

m THE Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord:
She is His new creation
By water and the word;
From heaven He came and sought her
To be His holy bride;
mp With His own blood He bought her,
And for her life He died.

mf 2 Elect from every nation,
Yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation
One Lord, one faith, one birth,
One holy name she blesses,
Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses,
With every grace endued.

mp 3 Though with a scornful wonder
Men see her sore oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder,
By heresies distressed,
m Yet saints their watch are keeping,
Their cry goes up, 'How long?'
c And soon the night of weeping
Shall be the morn of song.

mp 4 'Mid toil and tribulation,
And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation
Of peace for evermore,
mf Till with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest.

m 5 Yet she on earth hath union
With God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly,
On high may dwell with Thee.
AMEN.

455

'The house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.'

m JESUS, with Thy Church abide;
Be her Saviour, Lord, and Guide,
While on earth her faith is tried:
p We beseech Thee, hear us.

2 Keep her life and doctrine pure;
Grant her patience to endure,
Trusting in Thy promise sure:
We beseech Thee, hear us.

3 May her voice be ever clear,
Warning of a judgment near,
Telling of a Saviour dear:
We beseech Thee, hear us.

4 All her fettered powers release;
Bid our strife and envy cease;
Grant the heavenly gift of peace:
We beseech Thee, hear us.

5 May she one in doctrine be,
One in truth and charity,
Winning all to faith in Thee:
We beseech Thee, hear us.

6 May she guide the poor and blind,
Seek the lost until she find,
And the broken-hearted bind:
We beseech Thee, hear us.

7 Save her love from growing cold;
Make her watchmen strong and bold;
Fence her round, Thy peaceful fold:
We beseech Thee, hear us.

8 Judge her not for work undone;
Judge her not for fields unwon;
Bless her works in Thee begun:
We beseech Thee, hear us.

9 May her lamp of truth be bright;
Bid her bear aloft its light
Through the realms of heathen night:
We beseech Thee, hear us.

10 May her scattered children be
From reproach of evil free,
Blameless witnesses for Thee:
We beseech Thee, hear us.

11 May she holy triumphs win,
Overthrow the hosts of sin,
Gather all the nations in:
We beseech Thee, hear us.

12 May she thus all glorious be,
Spotless and from wrinkle free,
Pure and bright, and worthy Thee:
We beseech Thee, hear us.
AMEN.

456

'One Lord, one faith, one baptism.'

m ONE sole baptismal sign,
One Lord below, above,
Zion, one faith is thine,
One only watchword—love;
From different temples though it rise,
One song ascendeth to the skies.

2 Our sacrifice is one,
One Priest before the throne,
The slain, the risen Son,
Redeemer, Lord alone;
And sighs from contrite hearts that spring
Our chief, our choicest offering.

3 Head of Thy Church beneath,
The catholic, the true,
On all her members breathe,
Her broken frame renew;
mf Then shall Thy perfect will be done,
When Christians love and live as one.
AMEN.

457

'That they all may be one; as Thou, Father, art in Me, and I in Thee, that they also may be one in Us: that the world may believe that Thou hast sent Me.'

m JESUS, Thou hast willed it
That Thy Church should be
One in faith and spirit,
Ever one in Thee.
mp We the cross are bearing
Once on Jesus laid,
We the prayer are praying
That our Master prayed.
mf *Jesus, Thou hast willed it*
That Thy Church should be
One in faith and spirit,
Ever one in Thee.

mp 2 Though the time be distant,
Still we watch and pray,
Even though faint and weary,
Waiting for the day
m When the Church, uniting,
In one host shall fight
'Gainst the powers of darkness
In the Lord's own might.

3 Thou, our heavenly Master,
Bid contentions cease;
Thou, true Prince of Salem,
Give Thy children peace,—
Peace from God the Father,
Peace from God the Son,
Peace from God the Spirit,
From the Three in One.

mf 4 When the fight is over,
When the strife is done,
When our cause has conquered,
When the Church is one,
East and west together
Joining hand in hand,
Lead Thy people onward
To the pleasant land.

f 5 Praise we God the Father,
Praise the Son who died,
Praise Him who doth ever
In His Church abide.
Praise through endless ages
To Thy name be done,
Holy, holy, holy
God, the Three in One.
AMEN.

458

'They shall hear My voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.'

mf FATHER of all, from land and sea
The nations sing, 'Thine, Lord, are we,
Countless in number, but in Thee
May we be one.'

m 2 O Son of God, whose love so free
For men did make Thee Man to be,
United to our God, in Thee
May we be one.

3 Thou, Lord, didst once for all atone;
Thee may both Jew and Gentile own
Of their two walls the corner-stone,
Making them one.

4 Join high with low, join young with old,
In love that never waxes cold;
Under one Shepherd, in one fold,
Make us all one.

mp 5 O Spirit blest, who from above
Cam'st gently gliding like a dove,
Calm all our strife, give faith and love;
O make us one.

mf 6 So, when the world shall pass away,
We shall awake with joy and say,
'Now in the bliss of endless day
We all are one.' AMEN.

459

'One hope of your calling.'

mf THROUGH the night of doubt and sorrow
Onward goes the pilgrim band,
Singing songs of expectation,
Marching to the promised land.

2 Clear before us, through the darkness,
Gleams and burns the guiding light;
Brother clasps the hand of brother,
Stepping fearless through the night;

m 3 One the light of God's own presence,
O'er His ransomed people shed,
Chasing far the gloom and terror,
Brightening all the path we tread;

4 One the object of our journey,
One the faith which never tires,
One the earnest looking forward,
One the hope our God inspires;

5 One the strain that lips of thousands
Lift as from the heart of one;
One the conflict, one the peril,
One the march in God begun;

mf 6 One the gladness of rejoicing
On the far eternal shore,
Where the one almighty Father
Reigns in love for evermore.

7 Soon shall come the glad awaking,
Then the rending of the tomb,
Then the scattering of all shadows
And the end of toil and gloom.

AMEN.

460

'One generation shall praise Thy works to another.'

mf WE come unto our fathers' God;
Their rock is our Salvation;
The eternal arms, their dear abode,
We make our habitation;
We bring Thee, Lord, the praise they brought;
We seek Thee as Thy saints have sought
In every generation.

2 The fire Divine their steps that led
Still goeth bright before us;
The heavenly shield around them spread
Is still high holden o'er us;
The grace those sinners that subdued,
The strength those weaklings that renewed,
Doth vanquish, doth restore us.

mp 3 The cleaving sins that brought them low
Are still our souls oppressing;
The tears that from their eyes did flow
Fall fast, our shame confessing;
m As with Thee, Lord, prevailed their cry,
So our strong prayer ascends on high
And bringeth down Thy blessing.

4 Their joy unto their Lord we bring;
Their song to us descendeth;
The Spirit who in them did sing
To us His music lendeth;
His song in them, in us, is one;
c We raise it high, we send it on,—
The song that never endeth.

mf 5 Ye saints to come, take up the strain,
The same sweet theme endeavour;
Unbroken be the golden chain;
Keep on the song for ever;
Safe in the same dear dwelling-place,
Rich with the same eternal grace,
Bless the same boundless Giver.

AMEN.

461

'Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God.'

mf GLORIOUS things of thee are spoken,
Zion, city of our God;
He whose word cannot be broken
Formed thee for His own abode.
On the Rock of Ages founded,
What can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
Thou mayst smile at all thy foes.

m 2 See! the streams of living waters,
Springing from eternal love,
Well supply thy sons and daughters,
And all fear of want remove.
Who can faint while such a river
Ever flows their thirst to assuage,—
Grace, which, like the Lord the Giver,
Never fails from age to age?

3 Round each habitation hovering,
See! the cloud and fire appear,
For a glory and a covering,
Showing that the Lord is near.

mf Blest inhabitants of Zion,
Washed in the Redeemer's blood,
Jesus, whom their souls rely on,
Makes them kings and priests to God.

n 4 Saviour, if of Zion's city
I, through grace, a member am,
Let the world deride or pity,
I will glory in Thy name.

np Fading is the worldling's pleasure,
All his boasted pomp and show;

nf Solid joys and lasting treasure
None but Zion's children know.
AMEN.

462

'They shall prosper that love thee.'

mf I LOVE Thy kingdom, Lord,
The house of Thine abode,
The Church our blest Redeemer saved
With His own precious blood.

2 I love Thy Church, O God:
Her walls before Thee stand,
Dear as the apple of Thine eye,
And graven on Thy hand.

m 3 For her my tears shall fall,
For her my prayers ascend,
To her my cares and toils be given,
Till toils and cares shall end.

mf 4 Beyond my highest joy
I prize her heavenly ways,
Her sweet communion, solemn vows,
Her hymns of love and praise.

5 Jesus, Thou Friend Divine,
Our Saviour, and our King,
Thy hand from every snare and foe
Shall great deliverance bring.

f 6 Sure as Thy truth shall last,
To Zion shall be given
The brightest glories earth can yield,
And brighter bliss of heaven.
AMEN.

463

'Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of Thy name.'

mf LORD of our life, and God of our salvation,
Star of our night, and Hope of every nation,
Hear and receive Thy Church's supplication,
Lord God Almighty.

mp 2 See round Thine ark the hungry billows curling:
See how Thy foes their banners are unfurling;

m Lord, while their darts envenomed they are hurling,

mf Thou canst preserve us.

3 Lord, Thou canst help when earthly armour faileth,
Lord, Thou canst save when deadly sin assaileth,
Lord, o'er Thy rock nor death nor hell prevaileth;

m Grant us Thy peace, Lord.

4 Grant us Thy help till foes are backward driven;
Grant them Thy truth that they may be forgiven;

c Grant peace on earth and, after we have striven,
Peace in Thy heaven. AMEN.

464

'God is our refuge and strength.'

mf A SAFE stronghold our God is still,
A trusty shield and weapon;
He 'll help us clear from all the ill
That hath us now o'ertaken.
The ancient prince of hell
Hath risen with purpose fell;
Strong mail of craft and power
He weareth in this hour;
On earth is not his fellow.

m 2 With force of arms we nothing can,
Full soon were we down-ridden;

mf But for us fights the proper Man,
Whom God Himself hath bidden.
Ask ye who is this same?
Christ Jesus is His name,
Of Sabaoth the Lord,
Sole God to be adored,
'T is He must win the battle.

3 And were this world all devils o'er,
And watching to devour us,
We lay it not to heart so sore;
Not they can overpower us.
And let the prince of ill
Look grim as e'er he will,
He harms us not a whit;
For why? his doom is writ;
A word shall quickly slay him.

4 God's word, for all their craft and force,
One moment will not linger,
But, spite of hell, shall have its course;
'T is written by His finger.
m And, though they take our life,
Goods, honour, children, wife,
Yet is their profit small:
These things shall vanish all,
f The city of God remaineth. AMEN.

465

'Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.'

mf FEAR not, O little flock, the foe
Who madly seeks your overthrow;
Dread not his rage and power;
What though your courage sometimes faints,
His seeming triumph o'er God's saints
Lasts but a little hour.

2 Be of good cheer; your cause belongs
To Him who can avenge your wrongs;
Leave it to Him, our Lord:
Though hidden yet from all our eyes,
He sees the Gideon who shall rise
To save us and His word.

f 3 As true as God's own word is true,
Nor earth nor hell with all their crew
Against us shall prevail.
A jest and byword are they grown;
God is with us, we are His own;
Our victory cannot fail.

mf 4 Amen! Lord Jesus, grant our prayer;
Great Captain, now Thine arm make bare,
Fight for us once again;
ff So shall Thy saints and martyrs raise
A mighty chorus to Thy praise,
World without end. Amen. AMEN.

CHURCH BUILDING AND DEDICATION

466

'Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation.'

mf CHRIST is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and corner-stone,
Chosen of the Lord, and precious,
Binding all the Church in one,
Holy Zion's help for ever,
And her confidence alone.

2 All that dedicated city,
Dearly loved of God on high,
In exultant jubilation
Pours perpetual melody,
God the One in Three adoring
In glad hymns eternally.

m 3 To this temple, where we call Thee,
Come, O Lord of hosts, to-day:
With Thy wonted loving-kindness,
Hear Thy servants, as they pray,
And Thy fullest benediction
Shed within its walls alway.

4 Here vouchsafe to all Thy servants
What they ask of Thee to gain,
What they gain from Thee for ever
With the blessèd to retain,
mf And hereafter in Thy glory
Evermore with Thee to reign.

f 5 Laud and honour to the Father,
Laud and honour to the Son,
Laud and honour to the Spirit,
Ever Three and ever One.
One in might, and One in glory,
While unending ages run. AMEN.

467

'Jesus Christ Himself being the chief corner stone.'

m CHRIST is our corner-stone,
On Him alone we build;
With His true saints alone
The courts of heaven are filled:
c On His great love
Our hopes we place
Of present grace
And joys above.

mf 2 O then with hymns of praise
These hallowed courts shall ring;
Our voices we will raise
The Three in One to sing,
f And thus proclaim
In joyful song,
Both loud and long,
That glorious name.

m 3 Here, gracious God, do Thou
For evermore draw nigh;
Accept each faithful vow,
And mark each suppliant sigh;
In copious shower
On all who pray
Each holy day
Thy blessings pour.

4 Here may we gain from heaven
The grace which we implore;
And may that grace, once given,
Be with us evermore,
mf Until that day
When all the blest
To endless rest
Are called away. AMEN.

468

'Build the house; and I will take pleasure in it, and I will be glorified, saith the Lord.'

m THOU whose unmeasured temple stands
Built over earth and sea,
Accept the walls that human hands
Have raised, O God, to Thee.

2 And let the Comforter and Friend,
Thy Holy Spirit, meet
With those who here in worship bend
Before Thy mercy-seat.

3 May they who err be guided here
To find the better way, [fear
And they who mourn and they who
Be strengthened as they pray.

4 May faith grow firm, and love grow warm,
And hallowed wishes rise,
While round these peaceful walls the storm
Of earth-born passion dies. AMEN.

469

'In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord.'

m IN the name which earth and heaven
Ever worship, praise, and fear—
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—
Shall a house be builded here:
Here with prayer its deep foundations
In the faith of Christ we lay,
c Trusting by His help to crown it
With the top-stone in its day.

m 2 Here as in their due succession
Stone on stone the workmen place,
Thus, we pray, unseen but surely,
Jesus, build us up in grace,
mf Till, within these walls completed,
We complete in Thee are found,
And to Thee, the one Foundation,
Strong and living stones, are bound.

m 3 Fair shall be Thine earthly temple;
Here the careless passer-by
Shall bethink him, in its beauty,
Of the holier house on high.
mp Weary hearts and troubled spirits
Here shall find a still retreat;
Sinful souls shall bring their burden
Here to the Absolver's feet.

mf 4 Yet with truer, nobler beauty,
Lord, we pray, this house adorn,
Where Thy bride, Thy Church redeemèd,
Robes her for her marriage morn,—
Clothed in garments of salvation,
Rich with gems of heavenly grace,
Spouse of Christ, arrayed and waiting
Till she may behold His face.

m 5 Here in due and solemn order
May her ceaseless prayer arise;
Here may strains of holy gladness
Lift her heart above the skies;
Here the word of life be spoken;
Here the child of God be sealed;
Here the Bread of heaven be broken,
Till He come, Himself revealed.

f 6 Praise to Thee, O Master-builder,
Maker of the earth and skies;
Praise to Thee, in whom Thy temple
Fitly framed together lies;
Praise to Thee, Eternal Spirit,
Binding all that lives in one,—
Till our earthly praise be ended,
And the eternal song begun! AMEN.

470

'Let, I beseech Thee, Thine eyes be open, and let Thine ears be attent unto the prayer that is made in this place.'

m O THOU whose hand has brought us
Unto this joyful day,
Accept our glad thanksgiving,
And listen as we pray;
And may our preparation
For this day's service be
With one accord to offer
Ourselves, O Lord, to Thee.

mf 2 For this new house we praise Thee,
Reared by Thine own command,
For every generous bosom,
And every willing hand;
And now within Thy temple
Thy glory let us see,
For all its strength and beauty
Are nothing without Thee.

m 3 And oft as here we gather,
And hearts in worship blend,
May truth reveal its power,
And fervent prayer ascend;
Here may the busy toiler
Rise to the things above,
The young, the old, be strengthened,
And all men learn Thy love.

mp 4 And, as the years roll over,
And strong affections twine,
And tender memories gather
About this sacred shrine,
mf May this its chief distinction,
Its glory, ever be,
That multitudes within it
Have found their way to Thee.

m 5 Lord God, our fathers' helper,
Our joy and hope and stay,
Grant now a gracious earnest
Of many a coming day.
mp Our yearning hearts Thou knowest;
We wait before Thy throne;
c O come, and by Thy presence
Make this new house Thine own. AMEN.

MARRIAGE

471

'As being heirs together of the grace of life.'

m O FATHER all creating,
Whose wisdom, love, and power
First bound two lives together
In Eden's primal hour,
To-day to these Thy children
Thine earliest gifts renew,—
A home by Thee made happy,
A love by Thee kept true.

2 O Saviour, guest most bounteous
Of old in Galilee,
Vouchsafe to-day Thy presence
With those who call on Thee;
Their store of earthly gladness
Transform to heavenly wine,
And teach them in the tasting
To know the gift is Thine.

mp 3 O Spirit of the Father,
Breathe on them from above,
So mighty in Thy pureness,
So tender in Thy love,
That, guarded by Thy presence,
From sin and strife kept free,
Their lives may own Thy guidance,
Their hearts be ruled by Thee.

m 4 Except Thou build it, Father,
The house is built in vain;
Except Thou, Saviour, bless it,
The joy will turn to pain;
mf But nought can break the union
Of hearts in Thee made one;
And love Thy Spirit hallows
Is endless love begun. AMEN.

472

'Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb.'

m THE voice that breathed o'er Eden,
That earliest wedding day,
The primal marriage blessing,
It hath not passed away;

2 Still in the pure espousal
Of Christian man and maid
The Holy Three are with us,
The threefold grace is said.

mp 3 Be present, Holy Father,
To give away this bride,
As Eve Thou gav'st to Adam
Out of his own pierced side;

4 Be present, Holy Saviour,
To join their loving hands,
As Thou didst bind two natures
In Thine eternal bands;

5 Be present, Holy Spirit,
To bless them as they kneel,
As Thou for Christ, the Bridegroom,
The heavenly spouse dost seal.

m 6 O spread Thy pure wing o'er them;
Let no ill power find place,
When onward to Thine altar
The hallowed path they trace,

7 To cast their crowns before Thee
In perfect sacrifice,
mf Till to the home of gladness
With Christ's own bride they rise
AMEN.

473

'Jesus was called, and His disciples, to the marriage.'

mf HOW welcome was the call,
And sweet the festal lay,
When Jesus deigned in Cana's hall
To bless the marriage day!

2 And happy was the bride,
And glad the bridegroom's heart,
For He who tarried at their side
Bade grief and ill depart.

3 His gracious power Divine
The water vessels knew;
And plenteous was the mystic wine
The wondering servants drew.

mp 4 O Lord of life and love,
Come Thou again to-day,
And bring a blessing from above
That ne'er shall pass away.

5 O bless, as erst of old,
The bridegroom and the bride;
Bless with the holier stream that flowed
Forth from Thy pierced side.

m 6 Before Thine altar-throne
This mercy we implore:
c As Thou dost knit them, Lord, in one,
So bless them evermore. AMEN.

474

'Christ loved the church, and gave Himself for it.'

mp O PERFECT Love, all human thought transcending,
Lowly we kneel in prayer before Thy throne
m That theirs may be the love which knows no ending
Whom Thou for evermore dost join in one.

2 O perfect Life, be Thou their full assurance [faith,
Of tender charity and steadfast
Of patient hope, and quiet brave endurance,
With childlike trust that fears nor pain nor death.

3 Grant them the joy which brightens earthly sorrow;
Grant them the peace which calms all earthly strife,
mf And to life's day the glorious unknown morrow
That dawns upon eternal love and life. AMEN.

475

'The voice of rejoicing and salvation is in the tabernacles of the righteous.'

m O HAPPY home, where Thou art loved the dearest,
Thou loving Friend, and Saviour of our race,
And where among the guests there never cometh
One who can hold such high and honoured place!

2 O happy home, where two in heart united [one,
In holy faith and blessèd hope are
Whom death a little while alone divideth,
And cannot end the union here begun!

3 O happy home, whose little ones are given
Early to Thee, in humble faith and prayer,
To Thee, their Friend, who from the heights of heaven
Guides them, and guards with more than mother's care!

4 O happy home, where each one serves Thee, lowly,
Whatever his appointed work may be,
Till every common task seems great and holy,
When it is done, O Lord, as unto Thee!

mf 5 O happy home, where Thou art not forgotten [free,
When joy is overflowing, full and
m O happy home, where every wounded spirit
Is brought, Physician, Comforter, to Thee,—

mf 6 Until at last, when earth's day's-work is ended,
All meet Thee in the blessèd home above,
From whence Thou camest, where Thou hast ascended,
Thy everlasting home of peace and love! AMEN.

NEW YEAR AND ANNIVERSARIES

476

'These years the Lord thy God hath been with thee; thou hast lacked nothing.'

m HEAVENLY Father, Thou hast brought us
Safely to the present day,
Gently leading on our footsteps,
Watching o'er us all the way.
Friend and Guide through life's long journey,
Grateful hearts to Thee we bring;
c But for love so true and changeless
How shall we fit praises sing?

mf 2 Mercies new and never-failing
Brightly shine through all the past,
Watchful care and loving-kindness
Always near from first to last,
Tender love, Divine protection
Ever with us day and night;
Blessings more than we can number
Strow the path with golden light.

p 3 Shadows deep have crossed our pathway;
We have trembled in the storm;
Clouds have gathered round so darkly
That we could not see Thy form;

m Yet Thy love hath never left us
In our griefs alone to be,
And the help each gave the other
Was the strength that came from
Thee.

mp 4 Many that we loved have left us,
Reaching first their journey's end;
m Now they wait to give us welcome,
Brother, sister, child, and friend.
mp When at last our journey's over,
And we pass away from sight,
c Father, take us through the darkness
Into everlasting light. AMEN.

477 *'Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations.'*

mf OUR God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home,

m 2 Under the shadow of Thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
And our defence is sure.

mf 3 Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.

mp 4 A thousand ages in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away;
They fly forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.

mf 6 Our God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home. AMEN.

478 *'So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.'*

mp WHILE with ceaseless course the sun
Hasted through the former year,
p Many souls their race have run,
Never more to meet us here;
Fixed in an eternal state,
They have done with all below;
mp We a little longer wait,
But how little none can know.

m 2 As the wingèd arrow flies,
Speedily the mark to find,
As the lightning from the skies
Darts, and leaves no trace behind,—
mp Swiftly thus our fleeting days
Bear us down life's rapid stream;
m Upwards, Lord, our spirits raise;
All below is but a dream.

3 Thanks for mercies past receive;
Pardon of our sins renew;
Teach us, henceforth, how to live
With eternity in view.
mf Bless Thy word to young and old;
Fill us with a Saviour's love;
And, when life's short tale is told,
May we dwell with Thee above.
AMEN.

479

'This God is our God for ever and ever: He will be our guide even unto death.'

mf FOR Thy mercy and Thy grace,
Faithful through another year,
Hear our song of thankfulness;
Father and Redeemer, hear.

m 2 Lo! our sins on Thee we cast,
Thee, our perfect sacrifice,
And, forgetting all the past,
Press towards our glorious prize.

mp 3 Dark the future; let Thy light
Guide us, Bright and Morning Star;
Fierce our foes, and hard the fight;
Arm us, Saviour, for the war.

4 In our weakness and distress,
Rock of strength, be Thou our stay;
In the pathless wilderness
Be our true and living way.

p 5 Who of us death's awful road
In the coming year shall tread,
mp With Thy rod and staff, O God,
Comfort Thou his dying bed.

m 6 Keep us faithful, keep us pure,
Keep us evermore Thine own;
Help, O help us to endure;
Fit us for the promised crown.

mf 7 So within Thy palace gate
We shall praise, on golden strings,
Thee, the only Potentate,
Lord of lords, and King of kings.
AMEN.

480

'Let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation.'

m THE old year's long campaign is o'er;
Behold a new begun!
Not yet is closed the holy war,
Not yet the triumph won;
Not yet the end, not yet repose;
We hear our Captain say,
mf 'Go forth again to meet your foes,
Ye children of the day!'

f 2 Go forth, faith's shield o'er every heart,
Bright hope on every helm;
Through that shall pierce no fiery dart,
And this no fear o'erwhelm.
Go in the spirit and the might
Of Him who led the way;
Close with the legions of the night,
Ye children of the day.

3 So forth we go to meet the strife,
We will not fear nor fly;
We love the holy warrior's life;
His death we hope to die.
We slumber not, that charge in view,
'Toil on while toil ye may;
Then night shall be no night to you,
Ye children of the day.'

mp 4 Lord God, our Glory, Three in One,
Thine own sustain, defend;
And give, though dim this earthly sun,
Thy true light to the end,
c Till morning tread the darkness down,
And night be swept away,
f And never-ending triumph crown
The children of the day. AMEN.

481

'The hand of our God is upon all them for good that seek Him.'

mf GREAT God, we sing that mighty hand
By which supported still we stand;
The opening year Thy mercy shows,
d And mercy crowns its lingering close.

m 2 By day, by night, at home, abroad,
Still are we guarded by our God,
By His incessant bounty fed,
By His unerring counsel led.

3 With grateful hearts the past we own;
The future, all to us unknown,
We to Thy guardian care commit,
And peaceful leave before Thy feet.

mf 4 In scenes exalted or depressed
Thou art our joy and Thou our rest;
Thy goodness all our hopes shall raise,
Adored through all our changing days.

mp 5 When death shall interrupt these songs,
And seal in silence mortal tongues,
mf Our Helper God, in whom we trust,
Shall keep our souls and guard our dust. AMEN.

482

'The Lord hath been mindful of us: He will bless us.'

m AT Thy feet, our God and Father,
Who hast blessed us all our days,
We with grateful hearts would gather,
To begin the year with praise,—
mf Praise for light so brightly shining
On our steps from heaven above,
Praise for mercies daily twining
Round us golden cords of love.

mp 2 Jesus, for Thy love most tender,
On the cross for sinners shown,
m We would praise Thee, and surrender
All our hearts to be Thine own.
mf With so blest a Friend provided,
We upon our way would go,
Sure of being safely guided,
Guarded well from every foe.

3 Every day will be the brighter
When Thy gracious face we see;
Every burden will be lighter
When we know it comes from Thee.
Spread Thy love's broad banner o'er us;
Give us strength to serve and wait,
f Till the glory breaks before us,
Through the city's open gate.
AMEN.

483

'He hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.'

m STANDING at the portal
Of the opening year,
Words of comfort meet us,
Hushing every fear,
Spoken through the silence
By our Father's voice,
mf Tender, strong, and faithful,
Making us rejoice.
f *Onward, then, and fear not,*
Children of the day,
For His word shall never,
Never pass away.

m 2 'I, the Lord, am with thee,
Be thou not afraid;
I will help and strengthen,
Be thou not dismayed;
Yea, I will uphold thee
With My own right hand;
Thou art called and chosen
In My sight to stand.'

mf 3 For the year before us
O what rich supplies!
For the poor and needy
Living streams shall rise;
For the sad and sinful
Shall His grace abound,
For the faint and feeble
Perfect strength be found.

4 He will never fail us,
He will not forsake;
His eternal covenant
He will never break.
Resting on His promise,
What have we to fear?
God is all-sufficient
For the coming year.

AMEN.

484

'Father, glorify Thy name.'

m FATHER, here we dedicate
All our time to Thee,
In whatever worldly state
Thou wouldst have us be;
mp Not from trouble, loss, or care
Freedom would we claim;
This alone shall be our prayer,
c 'Glorify Thy name!'

m 2 Can a child pretend to choose
Where or how to live?
Can a Father's love refuse
What is best to give?
More Thou grantest every day
Than the best can claim,
Nor withholdest aught that may
Glorify Thy name.

3 If in mercy Thou wilt spare
Joys that yet are ours,
If our future life may bear
Some few brighter flowers,
mf Let our glad hearts, while they sing,
Thee in all proclaim,
And, whate'er this year may bring,
Glorify Thy name.

p 4 If we must in grief and loss
Thy behest obey,
If beneath the shadowing cross
Lies our homeward way,
m We will think what Thy dear Son
Once for us became,
And repeat, till life is done,
c 'Glorify Thy name!' AMEN.

485

'Thou shalt remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee.'

m THOU gracious God, whose mercy lends
The light of home, the smile of friends,
Our gathered flock Thine arms enfold,
As in the peaceful days of old.

2 Wilt Thou not hear us while we raise,
In sweet accord of solemn praise,
The voices that have mingled long
In joyous flow of mirth and song?

mp 3 For all the blessings life has brought,
For all its sorrowing hours have taught,
For all we mourn, for all we keep,
The hands we clasp, the loved that sleep,

4 The noontide sunshine of the past,
These brief, bright moments fading fast,
The stars that gild our darkening years,
The twilight ray from holier spheres,

mf 5 We thank Thee, Father; let Thy grace
Our loving circle still embrace,
Thy mercy shed its heavenly store,
Thy peace be with us evermore.

AMEN.

486

'Ye are not as yet come to the rest and to the inheritance, which the Lord your God giveth you.'

m STILL on the homeward journey
Across the desert plain,
Beside another landmark,
We pilgrims meet again;
We meet in cloud and sunshine
Beneath a changeful sky,
With calm and storm before us,
As in the days gone by.

2 We meet with loving greetings,
Fond wishes from the heart,
As brothers often parted
And soon again to part.
mp With tender recollections,
With many a gentle tear
We meet, for some are wanting;
All loved ones are not here.

mf 3 Safe in the home of Jesus,
With Him for ever blest,
How glorious is their portion,
How undisturbed their rest!
m How gladly will they greet us,
When all our journey past,
We reach the better country,
The Father's house, at last!

mp 4 Thus round the silent landmark,
Here on the desert plain,
We pilgrims meet together
With loving hearts again.
The storm may gather round us,
m But Christ has gone before;
We follow in His footsteps,
And doubt and fear no more. AMEN.

487

'I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.'

mf IT is a day of gladness
When all our friendly band,
Christ's members, thus together
In Him united stand,
Together lift our voices
To praise Him for His love,
And pray that we may worthy
Of all His mercies prove.
f *Haste forward, then, haste forward;*
Reach to the glorious prize,
The mark of our high calling,
The crown above the skies.

m 2 In lowliness and meekness
May we from day to day
Still in our Master's footsteps
Press on our heavenward way.
O make us, blessèd Master,
Pure, even as Thou art pure,
And grant, as faithful servants,
We to the end endure.

mf 3 O joy within the vineyard
To labour for the Lord!
Joy on this happy feast day
To praise with one accord!
Joy of all joys the greatest
To hear Him say, 'Well done;
Rest, good and faithful servant;
Thy heavenly crown is won!'

m 4 Come, Holy Ghost, possess us
With Thy indwelling might;
Come, Jesus, reign within us,
Our King, our Life, our Light.
f So through the endless ages
Our triumph song shall be,
'Praise Father, Son, and Spirit,
One God in Persons three.'
AMEN.

Also Hymns 301-307.

THE SEASONS

488

'An inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away.'

mf ALL is bright and cheerful round us;
All above is soft and blue;
Spring at last hath come and found us,
Spring and all its pleasures too.
Every flower is full of gladness;
Dew is bright, and buds are gay;
Earth, with all its sin and sadness,
Seems a happy place to-day.

m 2 If the flowers that fade so quickly,
If a day that ends in night,
If the skies that clouds so thickly
Often cover from our sight,—
If they all have so much beauty,
mf What must be God's land of rest,
Where His sons that do their duty,
After many toils, are blest?

3 There are leaves that never wither;
There are flowers that ne'er decay;
Nothing evil goeth thither;
Nothing good is kept away.
They that came from tribulation,
Washed their robes and made them white,
Out of every tongue and nation,
Now have rest and peace and light. AMEN.

489

'Thou sendest forth Thy Spirit, they are created; and Thou renewest the face of the earth.'

mf THE glory of the spring how sweet!
The new-born life how glad!
What joy the happy earth to greet,
In new, bright raiment clad!

2 Divine Renewer, Thee I bless;
I greet Thy going forth;
I love Thee in the loveliness
Of Thy renewèd earth.

3 But O these wonders of Thy grace,
These nobler works of Thine,
These marvels sweeter far to trace,
These new births more divine,

4 This new-born glow of faith so strong,
This bloom of love so fair,
This new-born ecstasy of song
And fragrancy of prayer!

m 5 Creator Spirit, work in me
These wonders sweet of Thine;
Divine Renewer, graciously
Renew this heart of mine. AMEN.

490

'The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come.'

mf FOR all Thy love and goodness, so bountiful and free,
Thy name, Lord, be adored!
f On the wings of joyous praise our hearts soar up to Thee:
Glory to the Lord!

m 2 The springtime breaks all round about, waking from winter's night:
Thy name, Lord, be adored!
mf The sunshine, like God's love, pours down in floods of golden light:
Glory to the Lord!

3 A voice of joy is in all the earth, a voice is in all the air:
Thy name, Lord, be adored!
f All nature singeth aloud to God; there is gladness everywhere:
Glory to the Lord!

m 4 The flowers are strown in field and copse, on the hill and on the plain:
Thy name, Lord, be adored!
mp The soft air stirs in the tender leaves that clothe the trees again:
Glory to the Lord!

m 5 The works of Thy hands are very fair; and for all Thy bounteous love
Thy name, Lord, be adored!
mf But what, if this world is so fair, is the better land above?
Glory to the Lord!

m 6 O to awake from death's short sleep, like the flowers from their wintry grave!
Thy name, Lord, be adored!
mf And to rise all glorious in the day when Christ shall come to save!
f Glory to the Lord!

mf 7 O to dwell in that happy land where the heart cannot choose but sing!
Thy name, Lord, be adored!
And where the life of the blessèd ones is a beautiful endless spring!
f Glory to the Lord! Hallelujah! AMEN.

491

'The eyes of all wait upon Thee; and Thou givest them their meat in due season.'

m LORD, in Thy name Thy servants plead,
And Thou hast sworn to hear;
Thine is the harvest, Thine the seed,
The fresh and fading year.

2 Our hope, when autumn winds blew wild,
We trusted, Lord, with Thee;
And now, when spring has on us smiled,
We wait on Thy decree.

3 The former and the latter rain,
The summer sun and air,
The green ear and the golden grain,
All Thine, are ours by prayer;

4 Thine too by right and ours by grace
The wondrous growth unseen,
The hopes that soothe, the fears that brace,
The love that shines serene.

5 So grant the precious things brought forth
By sun and moon below
mf That Thee in Thy new heaven and earth
We never may forego. AMEN.

492

'Truly the light is sweet, and a pleasant thing it is for the eyes to behold the sun.'

mf THE summer days are come again;
Once more the glad earth yields
Her golden wealth of ripening grain,
And breath of clover fields,
And deepening shade of summer woods,
And glow of summer air,
And winging thoughts, and happy moods
Of love and joy and prayer.

2 The summer days are come again;
The birds are on the wing;
God's praises, in their loving strain,
Unconsciously they sing.
We know who giveth all the good
That doth our cup o'erbrim;
For summer joy in field and wood
We lift our song to Him. AMEN.

493

'Thou hast prepared the light and the sun.'

mf SUMMER suns are glowing
Over land and sea;
Happy light is flowing,
Bountiful and free.
Everything rejoices
In the mellow rays;
All earth's thousand voices
Swell the psalm of praise.

2 God's free mercy streameth
Over all the world,
And His banner gleameth,
Everywhere unfurled.
f Broad and deep and glorious,
As the heaven above,
Shines in might victorious
His eternal love.

m 3 Lord, upon our blindness
Thy pure radiance pour;
For Thy loving-kindness
Make us love Thee more.
p And, when clouds are drifting
Dark across our sky,
mp Then, the veil uplifting,
Father, be Thou nigh.

m 4 We will never doubt Thee,
Though Thou veil Thy light;
Life is dark without Thee;
Death with Thee is bright.
mf Light of light, shine o'er us
On our pilgrim way;
Go Thou still before us
To the endless day. AMEN.

494

'The harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels.'

mf COME, ye thankful people, come,
Raise the song of harvest-home:
All is safely gathered in,
Ere the winter storms begin;
God, our Maker, doth provide
For our wants to be supplied:
f Come to God's own temple, come,
Raise the song of harvest-home.

m 2 All this world is God's own field,
Fruit unto His praise to yield;
Wheat and tares together sown,
Unto joy or sorrow grown;
First the blade, and then the ear,
Then the full corn shall appear:
mp Lord of harvest, grant that we
Wholesome grain and pure may be.

m 3 For the Lord our God shall come,
And shall take His harvest home,
mp From His field shall in that day
All offences purge away,
p Give His angels charge at last
In the fire the tares to cast,
m But the fruitful ears to store
In His garner evermore.

mf 4 Even so, Lord, quickly come;
Bring Thy final harvest home:
Gather Thou Thy people in,
Free from sorrow, free from sin,
There, for ever purified,
In Thy garner to abide:
f Come, with all Thine angels, come,
Raise the glorious harvest-home.
AMEN.

495

'Thou crownest the year with Thy goodness.'

f TO Thee, O Lord, our hearts we raise
In hymns of adoration,
To Thee bring sacrifice of praise
With shouts of exultation;
Bright robes of gold the fields adorn,
The hills with joy are ringing,
The valleys stand so thick with corn
That even they are singing.

mf 2 And now, on this our festal day,
Thy bounteous hand confessing,
Before Thee thankfully we lay
The first-fruits of Thy blessing.
m By Thee the souls of men are fed
With gifts of grace supernal;
Thou who dost give us earthly bread,
Give us the bread eternal.

mp 3 We bear the burden of the day,
And often toil seems dreary,
m But labour ends with sunset ray,
And rest comes for the weary;
May we, the angel-reaping o'er,
c Stand at the last accepted,
Christ's golden sheaves for evermore
To garners bright elected.

mf 4 O blessèd is that land of God
Where saints abide for ever,
Where golden fields spread far and broad,
Where flows the crystal river.
The strains of all its holy throng
With ours to-day are blending;
f Thrice blessèd is that harvest song
Which never hath an ending.
AMEN.

496

'The earth is full of Thy riches.'

mf NOW sing we a song for the harvest:
Thanksgiving and honour and praise
For all that the bountiful Giver
Hath given to gladden our days,

2 For grasses of upland and lowland,
For fruits of the garden and field,
For gold which the mine and the furrow
To delver and husbandman yield.

3 And thanks for the harvest of beauty,
For that which the hands cannot hold,
The harvest eyes only can gather,
And only our hearts can enfold.

4 We reap it on mountain and moorland;
We glean it from meadow and lea;
We garner it in from the cloudland;
We bind it in sheaves from the sea.

5 But the song it goes deeper and higher;
There are harvests that eye cannot see;
They ripen on mountains of duty,
Are reaped by the brave and the free.

6 And these have been gathered and garnered,
Some golden with honour and gain,
mp And some, as with heart's blood, are ruddy,
The harvests of sorrow and pain.

f 7 O Thou who art Lord of the harvest,
The Giver who gladdens our days,
Our hearts are for ever repeating
Thanksgiving and honour and praise. AMEN.

497

'While the earth remaineth, seed-time and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.'

mf FOUNTAIN of mercy, God of love,
How rich Thy bounties are!
The rolling seasons, as they move,
Proclaim Thy constant care.

m 2 When in the bosom of the earth
The sower hid the grain,
Thy goodness marked its secret birth,
And sent the early rain.

3 The spring's sweet influence was Thine;
The plants in beauty grew;
Thou gav'st refulgent suns to shine,
And mild refreshing dew.

4 These various mercies from above
Matured the swelling grain;
A yellow harvest crowns Thy love,
And plenty fills the plain.

5 Seed-time and harvest, Lord, alone
Thou dost on man bestow;
Let him not then forget to own
From whom his blessings flow.

f 6 Fountain of love, our praise is Thine;
To Thee our songs we'll raise,
And all created nature join
In sweet harmonious praise.
AMEN.

498

'He gave us rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness.'

m WE plough the fields, and scatter
The good seed on the land,
But it is fed and watered
By God's almighty hand;

c He sends the snow in winter,
The warmth to swell the grain,
The breezes and the sunshine
And soft refreshing rain.
mf *All good gifts around us*
Are sent from heaven above;
f *Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,*
For all His love.

m 2 He only is the Maker
Of all things near and far;
He paints the wayside flower,
He lights the evening star;
The winds and waves obey Him,
By Him the birds are fed;
Much more to us, His children,
He gives our daily bread.

mf 3 We thank Thee then, O Father,
For all things bright and good,
The seed-time and the harvest,
Our life, our health, our food.
c No gifts have we to offer
For all Thy love imparts,
mf But that which Thou desirest,
Our humble, thankful hearts.
AMEN.

499

'He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man.' 'He will gather His wheat into the garner.'

m THE sower went forth sowing;
The seed in secret slept
Through weeks of faith and patience,
Till out the green blade crept;
And, warmed by golden sunshine,
And fed by silver rain,
At last the fields were whitened
To harvest once again.
mf O praise the heavenly Sower,
Who gave the fruitful seed,
And watched and watered duly,
And ripened for our need.

m 2 Behold! the heavenly Sower
Goes forth with better seed,
The word of sure salvation,
With feet and hands that bleed;
Here in His Church 't is scattered,
Our spirits are the soil;
Then let an ample fruitage
Repay His pain and toil.
mf O beauteous is the harvest
Wherein all goodness thrives,
And this the true thanksgiving,
The first-fruits of our lives.

mp 3 Within a hallowed acre
He sows yet other grain,
When peaceful earth receiveth
The dead He died to gain;
m For, though the growth be hidden,
We know that they shall rise;
Yea, even now they ripen
In sunny Paradise.
mf O summer land of harvest,
O fields for ever white
With souls that wear Christ's raiment,
With crowns of golden light!

m 4 One day the heavenly Sower
Shall reap where He hath sown,
And come again rejoicing,
And with Him bring His own;
pp And then the fan of judgment
Shall winnow from His floor
The chaff into the furnace
That flameth evermore.
p O holy, awful Reaper,
Have mercy in the day
Thou puttest in Thy sickle,
And cast us not away. AMEN.

500

'Thou hast made summer and winter.'

mp WINTER reigneth o'er the land,
Freezing with its icy breath;
Dead and bare the tall trees stand;
p All is chill and drear as death.

mp 2 Yet it seemeth but a day
Since the summer flowers were here,
Since they stacked the balmy hay,
Since they reaped the golden ear.

3 Sunny days are past and gone;
So the years go, speeding fast,
Onward ever, each new one
Swifter speeding than the last.

p 4 Life is waning; life is brief;
Death, like winter, standeth nigh:
Each one, like the falling leaf,
d Soon shall fade and fall and die.

mf 5 But the sleeping earth shall wake;
New-born flowers shall burst in bloom,
And all nature rising break
Glorious from its wintry tomb.

6 So the saints from slumber blest
Rising shall awake and sing,
And our flesh in hope shall rest
Till there breaks the endless spring. AMEN.

501

'Although the fields shall yield no meat . . yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation.'

mf WHAT our Father does is well:
Blessèd truth His children tell!
m Though He send, for plenty, want,
Though the harvest store be scant,
c Yet we rest upon His love,
Seeking better things above.

m 2 What our Father does is well:
Shall the wilful heart rebel?
If a blessing He withhold
In the field or in the fold,
mf Is it not Himself to be
All our store eternally?

m 3 What our Father does is well:
mp Though He sadden hill and dell,
mf Upward yet our praises rise
For the strength His word supplies.
He has called us sons of God;
Can we murmur at His rod?

m 4 What our Father does is well:
May the thought within us dwell;
Though nor milk nor honey flow
In our barren Canaan now,
mf God can save us in our need,
God can bless us, God can feed.

f 5 Therefore unto Him we raise
Hymns of glory, songs of praise;
To the Father, and the Son,
And the Spirit, Three in One,
Honour, might, and glory be
Now and through eternity. AMEN.

FOR TRAVELLERS

502

'The Angel which redeemed me from all evil, bless the lads.'

m STANDING forth on life's rough way,
Father, guide them;
mp O we know not what of harm
May betide them;
m 'Neath the shadow of Thy wing,
Father, hide them;
Waking, sleeping, Lord, we pray,
Go beside them.

2 When in prayer they cry to Thee,
Thou wilt hear them;
From the stains of sin and shame
Thou wilt clear them;
'Mid the quicksands and the rocks,
Thou wilt steer them;
In temptation, trial, grief,
Be Thou near them.

3 Unto Thee we give them up;
Lord, receive them:
mp In the world we know must be
Much to grieve them,
Many striving oft and strong
To deceive them;
m Trustful, in Thy hands of love
We must leave them. AMEN.

503

'Brethren, farewell . . the God of love and peace shall be with you.'

m WITH the sweet word of peace
We bid our brethren go,—
Peace, as a river to increase,
And ceaseless flow.

2 With the good word of prayer
We earnestly commend
Our brethren to Thy watchful care,
Eternal Friend.

3 With the dear word of love
We give our brief farewell;
Our love below, and Thine above,
With them shall dwell.

mf 4 With the strong word of faith
We stay ourselves on Thee,
That the sure promise of Thy truth
Faithful shall be.

5 And the bright word of hope
Shall on our parting shine,
The shade of absent days light up
With rays Divine.

m 6 Go, then, with peace, and prayer,
And love, and faith, and hope;
His guardian angels everywhere
Shall bear you up. AMEN.

504

'I commend you to God, and to the word of His grace.'

m GOD be with you till we meet again,
By His counsels guide, uphold you,
With His sheep securely fold you:
God be with you till we meet again.

2 God be with you till we meet again,
'Neath His wings protecting hide you,
Daily manna still divide you:
God be with you till we meet again.

mp 3 God be with you till we meet again,
When life's perils thick confound you,
Put His arms unfailing round you:
God be with you till we meet again.

m 4 God be with you till we meet again,
Keep love's banner floating o'er you,
Smite death's threatening wave before you:
God be with you till we meet again.
AMEN.

505

'We do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of His will.'

m HOLY Father, in Thy mercy,
Hear our anxious prayer;
Keep our loved ones, now far absent,
'Neath Thy care.

2 Jesus, Saviour, let Thy presence
Be their light and guide;
Keep, O keep them, in their weakness,
At Thy side.

mp 3 When in sorrow, when in danger,
When in loneliness,
In Thy love look down and comfort
Their distress.

mf 4 May the joy of Thy salvation
Be their strength and stay;
May they love and may they praise Thee
Day by day.

m 5 Holy Spirit, let Thy teaching
Sanctify their life;
Send Thy grace that they may conquer
In the strife.

mf 6 Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
God the One in Three,
Bless them, guide them, save them, keep them
Near to Thee. AMEN.

506

'O God of our salvation . . the confidence of all the ends of the earth, and of them that are afar off upon the sea.'

m FATHER, who art alone
Our helper and our stay,
mp O hear us, as we plead
For loved ones far away,
mf And shield with Thine almighty hand
Our wanderers by sea and land.

m 2 For Thou, our Father God,
Art present everywhere,
And bendest low Thine ear
To catch the faintest prayer.
Waiting rich blessings to bestow
On all Thy children here below.

3 O compass with Thy love
The daily path they tread;
And may Thy light and truth
Upon their hearts be shed,
mf That, one in all things with Thy will,
Heaven's peace and joy their souls may fill.

m 4 Guard them from every harm
When dangers shall assail,
And teach them that Thy power
Can never, never fail;
We cannot with our loved ones be,
But trust them, Father, unto Thee.

mp 5 We all are travellers here
Along life's various road,
Meeting and parting oft
mf Till we shall mount to God,—
At home at last, with those we love,
Within the fatherland above.
AMEN.

507

'They that go down to the sea in ships . . these see the works of the Lord, and His wonders in the deep.'

m O LORD, be with us when we sail
Upon the lonely deep,
Our guard when on the silent deck
The midnight watch we keep.

2 We need not fear, though all around
'Mid rising winds we hear
The multitude of waters surge,
mf For Thou, O God, art near.

m 3 The calm, the breeze, the gale, the storm,
That pass from land to land,
All, all are Thine, are held within
The hollow of Thine hand.

4 As when on blue Gennesaret
Rose high the angry wave,
And Thy disciples quailed in dread,
One word of Thine could save,

5 So when the fiercer storms arise
From man's unbridled will,
Be Thou, Lord, present in our hearts,
To whisper, (*mp*) 'Peace, be still!'

m 6 Across this troubled tide of life
Thyself our Pilot be,
mf Until we reach that better land,
The land that knows no sea.
AMEN.

508

'Thou rulest the raging of the sea: when the waves thereof arise, Thou stillest them.'

m GREAT Ruler of the land and sea,
Almighty God, we come to Thee,
Able to succour and to save
From perils of the wind and wave.
mp *Keep by Thy mighty hand, O keep*
The dwellers on the homeless deep.

m 2 Soothe the rough ocean's troubled face,
And bid the hurricane give place
To the soft breeze that wafts the barque
Safely alike through light and dark.

3 In storm or battle, with Thine arm
Shield Thou the mariner from harm,—
From foes without, from ills within,
From deeds and words and thoughts of sin.

mp 4 O Son of God, in days of ill,
Say to each sorrow, 'Peace, be still!'
In hours of weakness be Thou nigh,
Heal Thou the sickness, hear the cry.

m 5 Good Pilot of the awful main,
Let us not plead Thy love in vain;
mf Jesus, draw near with kindly aid,
Say, (*mp*) 'It is I, be not afraid.'
AMEN.

509

'They cry unto the Lord . . He maketh the storm a calm, so that the waves thereof are still.'

m ETERNAL Father, strong to save,
Whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep,
mp O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea.

m 2 O Christ, whose voice the waters heard,
And hushed their raging at Thy word,
Who walkedst on the foaming deep,
And calm amid the storm didst sleep,
mp O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea.

m 3 O Holy Spirit, who didst brood
Upon the waters dark and rude,
And bid their angry tumult cease,
And give, for wild confusion, peace,
mp O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea.

mf 4 O Trinity of love and power,
Our brethren shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them wheresoe'er they go:
c Thus evermore shall rise to Thee
Glad hymns of praise from land and sea. AMEN.

510

'The Lord forsaketh not His saints; they are preserved for ever.'

m HOW are Thy servants blest, O Lord!
How sure is their defence!
Eternal wisdom is their guide,
Their help omnipotence.

2 In foreign realms and lands remote,
Supported by Thy care,
Through burning climes they pass unhurt,
And breathe in tainted air.

3 From all their griefs and dangers, Lord,
Thy mercy sets them free,
While in the confidence of prayer
Their souls take hold on Thee.

mp 4 When by the dreadful tempest borne
High on the broken wave,
m They know Thou art not slow to hear,
Nor impotent to save.

5 The storm is laid, the winds retire,
Obedient to Thy will;
The sea, that roars at Thy command,
At Thy command is still.

6 In midst of dangers, fears, and deaths
mf Thy goodness we adore;
We praise Thee for Thy mercies past,
And humbly hope for more.

m 7 Our life, while Thou preservest life,
A sacrifice shall be;
mf And death, when death shall be our lot,
Shall join our souls to Thee.
AMEN.

NATIONAL HYMNS

511

'And all the people . . said, God save the King.'

mf GOD save our gracious Queen;
Long live our noble Queen;
God save the Queen!
Send her victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us:
God save the Queen!

2 Thy choicest gifts in store
On her be pleased to pour;
Long may she reign;
May she defend our laws,
And ever give us cause
To sing with heart and voice,
'God save the Queen!' AMEN.

512

'We have sinned with our fathers.'

mp GREAT King of nations, hear our prayer,
While at Thy feet we fall,
And humbly with united cry
To Thee for mercy call.
The guilt is ours, but grace is Thine;
O turn us not away,
But hear us from Thy lofty throne,
And help us when we pray.

2 Our fathers' sins were manifold,
And ours no less we own,
mf Yet wondrously from age to age
Thy goodness hath been shown.
When dangers, like a stormy sea,
Beset our country round,
To Thee we looked, to Thee we cried,
And help in Thee was found.

mp 3 With one consent we meekly bow
Beneath Thy chastening hand,
And, pouring forth confession meet,
Mourn with our mourning land.
With pitying eye behold our need,
As thus we lift our prayer;
Correct us with Thy judgments, Lord,
m Then let Thy mercy spare. AMEN.

513

'The land which Thou gavest unto our fathers.'

m LORD, while for all mankind we pray,
Of every clime and coast,
O hear us for our native land,
The land we love the most.

2 Our fathers' sepulchres are here,
And here our kindred dwell,
Our children too; how should we love
Another land so well?

3 O guard our shores from every foe;
With peace our borders bless;
With prosperous times our cities crown,
Our fields with plenteousness.

4 Unite us in the sacred love
Of knowledge, truth, and Thee;
And let our hills and valleys shout
The songs of liberty.

mf 5 Lord of the nations, thus to Thee
Our country we commend;
Be Thou her refuge and her trust,
Her everlasting Friend. AMEN.

514

'He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth.'

m O GOD of love, O King of peace,
Make wars throughout the world to cease;
The wrath of sinful man restrain:
mp Give peace, O God, give peace again.

m 2 Remember, Lord, Thy works of old,
The wonders that our fathers told;
mp Remember not our sin's dark stain:
Give peace, O God, give peace again.

m 3 Whom shall we trust but Thee, O Lord?
Where rest but on Thy faithful word?
None ever called on Thee in vain:
mp Give peace, O God, give peace again.

m 4 Where saints and angels dwell above,
All hearts are knit in holy love;
mf O bind us in that heavenly chain:
Give peace, O God, give peace again. AMEN.

515

'Turn us again, O God, and cause Thy face to shine; and we shall be saved.'

mp BOWED low in supplication,
We come, O Lord, to Thee;
Thy grace alone can save us;
To Thee alone we flee.

m 2 We come for this our parish
Thy mercy to implore;
On church, and homes, and people,
O Lord, Thy blessing pour.

p 3 Blot out our sins, O Father;
Forgive the guilty past;
Loose from their chains the captives
Whom Satan holdeth fast.

mf 4 Wake up the slumbering conscience
To listen to Thy call;
The weak and wavering strengthen,
And raise up them that fall.

m 5 Our crying sin drive from us
With Thy chastising rod,
That we may be a people
Fearing and loving God.

6 O be Thy house, Lord, hallowed,
And hallowed be Thy day;
Let sin-stained souls find pardon,
And learn to love and pray.

7 With heavenly food supported,
O be they firm and strong
To follow all things holy,
To flee from all things wrong.

mf 8 Lord, banish strife and variance;
Knit sundered hearts in one;
c And bind us all together
In love to Thy dear Son. AMEN.

516

'Surely His salvation is nigh them that fear Him; that glory may dwell in our land.'

mp TO Thee our God we fly
For mercy and for grace;
O hear our lowly cry,
And hide not Thou Thy face.
mf *O Lord, stretch forth Thy mighty hand,*
And guard and bless our fatherland.

m 2 Arise, O Lord of hosts;
Be jealous for Thy name,
And drive from out our coasts
The sins that put to shame.

3 Thy best gifts from on high
In rich abundance pour,
mf That we may magnify
And praise Thee more and more.

m 4 The powers ordained by Thee
With heavenly wisdom bless;
May they Thy servants be,
And rule in righteousness.

5 The Church of Thy dear Son
Inflame with love's pure fire;
Bind her once more in one,
And life and truth inspire.

6 The pastors of Thy fold
With grace and power endue,
That, faithful, pure, and bold,
They may be pastors true.

7 Give peace, Lord, in our time;
O let no foe draw nigh,
Nor lawless deed of crime
Insult Thy majesty.

mp 8 Though vile and worthless, still
m Thy people, Lord, are we;
mf And for our God we will
None other have but Thee.

AMEN.

517

'All nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the Lord of hosts.'

mf PRAISE to our God, whose bounteous hand
Prepared of old our glorious land,—
A garden fenced with silver sea,
A people prosperous, strong, and free!

2 Praise to our God! through all our past
His mighty arm hath held us fast,
Till wars and perils, toils and tears,
Have brought the rich and peaceful years.

3 Praise to our God! the vine He set
Within our coasts is fruitful yet;
On many a shore her seedlings grow;
'Neath many a sun her clusters glow.

4 Praise to our God! His power alone
Can keep unmoved our ancient throne,
Sustained by counsels wise and just,
And guarded by a people's trust.

5 Praise to our God! (*mp*) though chastenings stern
Our evil dross should throughly burn,
mf His rod and staff, from age to age,
Shall rule and guide His heritage.
AMEN.

518

'Happy is that people, whose God is the Lord.'

mf FROM ocean unto ocean
Our land shall own Thee Lord,
And, filled with true devotion,
Obey Thy sovereign word.
Our prairies and our mountains,
Forest and fertile field,
Our rivers, lakes, and fountains
To Thee shall tribute yield.

m 2 O Christ, for Thine own glory,
And for our country's weal,
We humbly plead before Thee,
Thyself in us reveal;
And may we know, Lord Jesus,
The touch of Thy dear hand,
And, healed of our diseases,
The tempter's power withstand.

3 Where error smites with blindness,
Enslaves and leads astray,
Do Thou in loving-kindness
Proclaim Thy gospel day,
mf Till all the tribes and races
That dwell in this fair land,
Adorned with Christian graces,
Within Thy courts shall stand.

m 4 Our Saviour King, defend us,
And guide where we should go;
Forth with Thy message send us,
Thy love and light to show,
f Till, fired with true devotion
Enkindled by Thy word,
From ocean unto ocean
Our land shall own Thee Lord.
AMEN.

PRAISE TO THE FATHER

519

'Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings Thou hast perfected praise.'

mf ABOVE the clear blue sky,
In heaven's bright abode,
The angel host on high
Sing praises to their God.
f Hallelujah!
They love to sing
To God their King,
'Hallelujah!'

m 2 But God from infant tongues
On earth receiveth praise;
mf We then our cheerful songs
In sweet accord will raise.
f Hallelujah!
We too will sing
To God our King,
'Hallelujah!'

m 3 O blessèd Lord, Thy truth
To us Thy babes impart,
And teach us in our youth
To know Thee as Thou art.
f Hallelujah!
Then shall we sing
To God our King,
'Hallelujah!'

m 4 O may Thy holy word
Spread all the world around;
mf All then with one accord
Shall lift the joyful sound.
f Hallelujah!
All then shall sing
To God their King,
'Hallelujah!' AMEN.

520

'My Father, Thou art the guide of my youth.'

mp GREAT God! and wilt Thou condescend
To be my Father and my Friend?
I a poor child, and Thou so high,
The Lord of earth and air and sky.

2 Art Thou my Father? canst Thou bear
To hear my poor imperfect prayer?
Or wilt Thou listen to the praise
That such a little one can raise?

m 3 Art Thou my Father? let me be
A meek obedient child to Thee,
And try, in word and deed and thought,
To serve and please Thee as I ought.

4 Art Thou my Father? I 'll depend
Upon the care of such a Friend,
And only wish to do and be
Whatever seemeth good to Thee.

mf 5 Art Thou my Father? then at last,
When all my days on earth are past,
Send down and take me in Thy love
To be Thy better child above.
AMEN.

521

'He hath made every thing beautiful in his time.'

mf ALL things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,—
The Lord God made them all.
m Each little flower that opens,
Each little bird that sings,—
He made their glowing colours,
He made their tiny wings.

2 The purple-headed mountain
The river running by,
The sunset, and the morning
That brightens up the sky,
The cold wind in the winter,
The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden,—
He made them every one.

3 The tall trees in the greenwood,
The meadows where we play,
The rushes, by the water,
We gather every day,—
He gave us eyes to see them,
And lips that we might tell
mf How great is God Almighty,
Who has made all things well.
AMEN.

GOD'S PROVIDENCE

522

'Who giveth us richly all things to enjoy.'

m LORD, I would own Thy tender care,
And all Thy love to me;
The food I eat, the clothes I wear,
Are all bestowed by Thee.

mp 2 'T is Thou preservest me from death
And dangers every hour;
I cannot draw another breath
Unless Thou give me power.

m 3 Kind angels guard me every night,
As round my bed they stay;
Nor am I absent from Thy sight
In darkness or by day.

4 My health and friends and parents dear
To me by God are given;
I have not any blessing here
But what is sent from heaven.

mp 5 Such goodness, Lord, and constant care
A child can ne'er repay;
m But may it be my daily prayer
To love Thee and obey. AMEN.

523

'God shall supply all your need.'

m POOR and needy though I be,
God Almighty cares for me,
Gives me clothing, shelter, food,
Gives me all I have of good.

2 He will hear me when I pray;
He is with me night and day,
When I sleep, and when I wake,
For the Lord my Saviour's sake.

p 3 He who reigns above the sky
Once became as poor as I;
He whose blood for me was shed
Had not where to lay His head.

m 4 Though I labour here awhile,
He will bless me with His smile;
And, when this short life is past,
I shall rest with Him at last.

mf 5 Then to Him I tune my song,
Happy as the day is long;
This my joy for ever be,—
God Almighty cares for me. AMEN.

524

'Do all things without murmurings; that ye may be .. children of God.'

m DAY by day the little daisy
Looks up with its yellow eye,
Never murmurs, never wishes
It were hanging up on high.

mf 2 And the air is just as pleasant,
And as bright the sunny sky,
To the daisy by the footpath
As to flowers that bloom on high.

m 3 God has given each his station:
Some have riches and high place,
Some have lowly homes and labour;
All may have His precious grace.

4 And God loveth all His children,
Rich and poor, and high and low
mf And they all shall meet in heaven
Who have served Him here below.
AMEN.

525

'Thou compassest my path and my lying down, and art acquainted with all my ways.'

mp GOD is always near me,
Hearing what I say,
Knowing all my thoughts and deeds,
All my work and play.

2 God is always near me:
In the darkest night
He can see me just the same
As by mid-day light.

3 God is always near me
Though so young and small;
Not a look or word or thought,
But God knows it all. AMEN.

526

'He careth for you.'

mf GOD, who made the earth,
The air, the sky, the sea,
Who gave the light its birth,
Careth for me.

2 God, who made the grass,
The flower, the fruit, the tree,
The day and night to pass,
Careth for me.

3 God, who made the sun,
The moon, the stars, is He
Who, when life's clouds come on,
Careth for me.

4 God, who made all things,
On earth, in air, in sea,
Who changing seasons brings,
Careth for me.

p 5 God, who gave me breath,
Be this my prayer to Thee
That, when I sink in death,
Thou care for me.

mp 6 God, who sent His Son
To die on Calvary,
c He, if I lean on Him,
Will care for me.

mf 7 When in heaven's bright land
I all His loved ones see,
f I'll sing with that blest band,
'God cared for me.' AMEN.

THE BIRTH OF CHRIST

527

'The Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world.'

mf 'FROM heaven above to earth I come,
To bear good news to every home;
Glad tidings of great joy I bring,
Whereof I now will say and sing,—

m 2 '"To you this night is born a child
Of Mary, chosen mother mild";
This little child, of lowly birth,
Shall be the joy of all your earth.

3 'Tis Christ our God, who far on high
Hath heard your sad and bitter cry;
Himself will your salvation be;
Himself from sin will make you free.

4 'He brings those blessings, long ago
Prepared by God for all below;
Henceforth His kingdom open stands
To you, as to the angel bands.'

mf 5 Welcome to earth, Thou noble Guest,
Through whom even wicked men are blest!
Thou com'st to share our misery;
What can we render, Lord, to Thee?

6 Were earth a thousand times as fair,
Beset with gold and jewels rare,
She yet were far too poor to be
A narrow cradle, Lord, for Thee.

mp 7 Ah! dearest Jesus, Holy Child,
Make Thee a bed, soft, undefiled,
Within my heart, that it may be
A quiet chamber kept for Thee.

mf 8 My heart for very joy doth leap;
My lips no more can silence keep;
I too must raise with joyful tongue
That sweetest ancient cradle song,

f 9 'Glory to God in highest heaven,
Who unto man His Son hath given!'
While angels sing with pious mirth
A glad New Year to all the earth.
AMEN.

528

'The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen.'

mp SEE! in yonder manger low,
Born for us on earth below,
See! the tender Lamb appears,
Promised from eternal years.
f *Hail, thou ever-blessèd morn!*
Hail, redemption's happy dawn!
Sing through all Jerusalem,
'Christ is born in Bethlehem!'

m 2 Lo! within a manger lies
He who built the starry skies,
He who, throned in height sublime,
Sits amid the cherubim.

3 Say, ye holy shepherds, say,
What your joyful news to-day;
Wherefore have ye left your sheep
On the lonely mountain steep?

mp 4 'As we watched at dead of night,
Lo! we saw a wondrous light:
m Angels, singing peace on earth,
Told us of the Saviour's birth.'

mp 5 Sacred Infant, all Divine,
What a tender love was Thine,
Thus to come from highest bliss
Down to such a world as this!

m 6 Teach, O teach us, Holy Child,
By Thy face so meek and mild,
Teach us to resemble Thee
In Thy sweet humility.
AMEN.

529

'Unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.'

m IN the field with their flocks abiding,
They lay on the dewy ground,
And glimmering under the starlight
The sheep lay white around,
mf When the light of the Lord streamed o'er them,
And, lo! from the heaven above
An angel leaned from the glory,
And sang his song of love;
He sang, that first sweet Christmas,
The song that shall never cease,—
f 'Glory to God in the highest,
On earth goodwill and peace!

mf 2 'To you in the city of David
A Saviour is born to-day.'
And sudden a host of the heavenly ones
Flashed forth to join the lay.
O never hath sweeter message
Thrilled home to the souls of men;
And the heavens themselves had never heard
A gladder choir till then;
For they sang that Christmas carol
That never on earth shall cease,—
f 'Glory to God in the highest,
On earth goodwill and peace!'

m 3 And the shepherds came to the manger,
And gazed on the Holy Child;
And calmly o'er that rude cradle
The virgin mother smiled;
And the sky, in the starlit silence,
Seemed full of the angel lay,—
mf 'To you in the city of David
A Saviour is born to-day.'
m O, they sang—and I ween that never
The carol on earth shall cease,—
f 'Glory to God in the highest,
On earth goodwill and peace!'

AMEN.

530

'I bring you good tidings of great joy.'

mf LITTLE children, wake and listen!
Songs are breaking o'er the earth;
While the stars in heaven glisten,
Hear the news of Jesus' birth.
m Long ago, to lonely meadows
Angels brought the message down;
Still each year, through midnight shadows,
It is heard in every town.

mp 2 What is this that they are telling,
Singing in the quiet street?
c While their voices high are swelling,
What sweet words do they repeat?
m Words to bring us greater gladness,
Though our hearts from care are free;
Words to chase away our sadness,
Cheerless though our hearts may be.

3 Christ has left His throne of glory,
And a lowly cradle found;
Well might angels tell the story,
Well may we their words resound.
mf Little children, wake and listen!
Songs are ringing through the earth;
While the stars in heaven glisten,
Hail with joy your Saviour's birth.

AMEN.

531

'The Dayspring from on high hath visited us, to give light to them that sit in darkness.'

m ALL this night bright angels sing;
Never was such carolling.
mp Hark! a voice which loudly cries,
mf 'Mortals, mortals, wake and rise;
p Lo! to gladness
Turns your sadness;
c From the earth is risen a Sun
f Shines all night, though day be done.

2 'Wake, O earth! wake, everything!
Wake and hear the joy I bring;
Wake and joy, for all this night
Heaven and every twinkling light,
p All amazing,
Still stand gazing;
c Angels, powers, and all that be,
f Wake, and joy this Sun to see!'

p 3 Hail, O Sun! O blessèd Light,
Sent into this world by night;
mf Let Thy rays and heavenly powers
Shine in these dark souls of ours;
For, most duly,
Thou art truly
f God and Man, we do confess;
Hail, O Sun of Righteousness!
AMEN.

532

'They saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and worshipped Him: and they presented unto Him gifts.'

mf WAKEN, Christian children!
Up and let us sing,
With glad voice, the praises
Of our new-born King.

2 Up! 't is meet to welcome
With a joyous lay
f Christ, the King of Glory,
Born for us to-day.

m 3 Come, nor fear to seek Him,
Children though we be;
Once He said of children,
'Let them come to Me.'

mp 4 In a manger lowly
Sleeps the heavenly Child;
O'er Him fondly bendeth
Mary, mother mild.

mf 5 Far above that stable,
Up in heaven so high,
One bright star outshineth,
Watching silently.

m 6 Fear not then to enter,
Though we cannot bring
Gold, or myrrh, or incense
Fitting for a King.

7 Gifts He asketh richer,
Offerings costlier still;
Yet may Christian children
Bring them if they will.

8 Brighter than all jewels
Shines the modest eye;
Best of gifts, He loveth
Infant purity.

mf 9 Haste we then to welcome
With a joyous lay
f Christ, the King of Glory,
Born for us to-day. AMEN.

533

'Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.'

m ONCE in royal David's city
Stood a lowly cattle-shed,
Where a mother laid her baby
In a manger for His bed.
Mary was that mother mild,
Jesus Christ her little Child.

mp 2 He came down to earth from heaven
Who is God and Lord of all,
And His shelter was a stable,
And His cradle was a stall.
With the poor and mean and lowly
Lived on earth our Saviour holy.

m 3 And through all His wondrous childhood
He would honour and obey,
Love, and watch the lowly maiden
In whose gentle arms He lay.
Christian children all must be
Mild, obedient, good as He.

4 For He is our childhood's pattern:
Day by day like us He grew;
He was little, weak, and helpless;
Tears and smiles like us He knew;
And He feeleth for our sadness,
And He shareth in our gladness.

mf 5 And our eyes at last shall see Him,
Through His own redeeming love;
For that Child so dear and gentle
Is our Lord in heaven above;
And He leads His children on
To the place where He is gone.

6 Not in that poor lowly stable,
With the oxen standing by,
We shall see Him, but in heaven,
Set at God's right hand on high,
When, like stars, His children crowned
All in white shall wait around.
AMEN.

Also Hymn 584.

THE LIFE AND DEATH OF CHRIST

534

'He took them up in His arms, put His hands upon them, and blessed them.'

m I THINK, when I read that sweet story of old,
When Jesus was here among men,
How He called little children as lambs to His fold,
I should like to have been with them then;
I wish that His hands had been placed on my head,
That His arms had been thrown around me,
And that I might have seen His kind look when He said,
'Let the little ones come unto Me.'

mp 2 Yet still to His footstool in prayer I may go,
And ask for a share in His love;
And, if I now earnestly seek Him below,
I shall see Him and hear Him above,
mf In that beautiful place He is gone to prepare
For all who are washed and forgiven;
And many dear children are gathering there,
For of such is the kingdom of heaven.

mp 3 But thousands and thousands who wander and fall
Never heard of that heavenly home;
m I should like them to know there is room for them all,
And that Jesus has bid them to come.
mf I long for the joy of that glorious time,
The sweetest and brightest and best,
When the dear little children of every clime
Shall crowd to His arms and be blest. AMEN.

535

'Though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor.'

mp THOU didst leave Thy throne
And Thy kingly crown
When Thou camest to earth for me,
But in Bethlehem's home
Was there found no room
For Thy holy nativity:
mf O come to my heart, Lord Jesus;
There is room in my heart for Thee.

f 2 Heaven's arches rang
When the angels sang,
Proclaiming Thy royal degree;
mp But of lowly birth
Cam'st Thou, Lord, on earth,
And in great humility:
mf O come to my heart, Lord Jesus;
There is room in my heart for Thee.

m 3 The foxes found rest,
And the birds their nest,
In the shade of the forest tree;
mp But Thy couch was the sod,
O Thou Son of God,
In the deserts of Galilee:
mf O come to my heart, Lord Jesus;
There is room in my heart for Thee.

m 4 Thou camest, O Lord,
With the living word
That should set Thy people free;
p But, with mocking scorn,
And with crown of thorn,
They bore Thee to Calvary:
mp O come to my heart, Lord Jesus;
Thy cross is my only plea.

mf 5 When heaven's arches ring,
And her choirs shall sing,
At Thy coming to victory,
Let Thy voice call me home,
Saying, 'Yet there is room,
There is room at My side for thee!'
And my heart shall rejoice, Lord Jesus,
When Thou comest and callest for me. AMEN.

536

'Hosanna; Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.'

m WHEN, His salvation bringing,
To Zion Jesus came,
The children all stood singing
Hosanna to His name;
Nor did their zeal offend Him,
But, as He rode along,
He let them still attend Him,
And smiled to hear their song.

2 And, since the Lord retaineth
His love for children still,
Though now as King He reigneth
On Zion's heavenly hill,
mf We'll flock around His banner
Who sits upon the throne,
f And cry aloud, 'Hosanna
To David's royal Son!'

m 3 For, should we fail proclaiming
Our great Redeemer's praise,
The stones, our silence shaming,
Would their hosannas raise.
But shall we only render
The tribute of our words?
mf No! while our hearts are tender,
They too shall be the Lord's.
AMEN.

537

'Let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.'

mf HOSANNA we sing, like the children dear
In the olden days when the Lord lived here;
He blessed little children, and smiled on them,
While they chanted His praise in Jerusalem.
f Hallelujah we sing, like the children bright
With their harps of gold and their raiment white,
As they follow their Shepherd with loving eyes
Through the beautiful valleys of Paradise.

mf 2 Hosanna we sing, for He bends His ear,
And rejoices the hymns of His own to hear;
We know that His heart will never wax cold
To the lambs that He feeds in His earthly fold.
f Hallelujah we sing in the Church we love;
Hallelujah resounds in the Church above;
To Thy little ones, Lord, may such grace be given
That we lose not our part in the song of heaven. AMEN.

538

'Hosanna to the Son of David.'

mf HOSANNA, loud hosanna,
The little children sang;
Through pillared court and temple
The joyful anthem rang;
To Jesus, who had blessed them
Close folded to His breast,
The children sang their praises,
The simplest and the best.

2 From Olivet they followed,
'Mid an exultant crowd,
The victor palm-branch waving,
And chanting clear and loud;
Bright angels joined the chorus,
Beyond the cloudless sky,—
f 'Hosanna in the highest!
Glory to God on high!'

m 3 Fair leaves of silvery olive
They strowed upon the ground,
While Salem's circling mountains
Echoed the joyful sound;
The Lord of men and angels
Rode on in lowly state,
Nor scorned that little children
Should on His bidding wait.

f 4 'Hosanna in the highest!'
That ancient song we sing,
For Christ is our Redeemer,
The Lord of heaven our King.
mf O may we ever praise Him
With heart and life and voice,
And in His blissful presence
Eternally rejoice. AMEN.

539

'When they were come to the place, which is called Calvary, there they crucified Him.'

mp BEYOND the holy city wall
They set the cruel cross on high,
Where the dear Lord who saved us all
d Did hang in pain, and bleed, and die.

mp 2 The hands that touched the blind to sight,
That gave the sick man strength anew,
That raised the dead to life and light,
p Were pierced and wounded through and through.

mp 3 The feet that walked the stormy sea,
That ever turned at sorrow's prayer,
pp By sharp nails fastened to the tree,
Hung torn and hurt and bleeding there.

mp 4 Since God's own Son must suffer thus
Our souls from Satan's grasp to win,
Since only He could ransom us,
p O what a fearful thing is sin!

mp 5 How can we yield to Satan's power,
And let our sinful passions reign,
When hearing of that awful hour,
And thinking of our Saviour's pain?

p 6 O, by Thy griefs that dreadful day,
Dear Lord, and by Thy precious blood,
c Wash all our guilty stains away,
And make Thy sinful children good. AMEN.

540

'Neither is there salvation in any other.'

mp THERE is a green hill far away,
Without a city wall,
Where the dear Lord was crucified
Who died to save us all.

p 2 We may not know, we cannot tell
What pains He had to bear;
mp But we believe it was for us
He hung and suffered there.

m 3 He died that we might be forgiven,
He died to make us good,
That we might go at last to heaven,
Saved by His precious blood.

4 There was no other good enough
To pay the price of sin;
He only could unlock the gate
Of heaven, and let us in.

mf 5 O dearly, dearly has He loved,
And we must love Him too,
And trust in His redeeming blood,
And try His works to do. AMEN.

541

'We see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour.'

mp WHO is He, in yonder stall,
At whose feet the shepherds fall?
f 'T is the Lord! O wondrous story!
'T is the Lord, the King of Glory!
m At His feet we humbly fall;
mf Crown Him, crown Him Lord of all.

mp 2 Who is He, in yonder cot,
Bending to His toilsome lot?

p 3 Who is He, in deep distress,
Fasting in the wilderness?

4 Who is He that stands and weeps
At the grave where Lazarus sleeps?

pp 5 Lo! at midnight, who is He
Prays in dark Gethsemane?

p 6 Who is He, in Calvary's throes,
Asks for blessings on His foes?

m 7 Who is He that from the grave
Comes to heal and help and save?

mf 8 Who is He that on yon throne
Rules the world of light alone?
AMEN.

542

'God was manifest in the flesh.'

mp WHO is this so weak and helpless,
Child of lowly Hebrew maid,
Rudely in a stable sheltered,
Coldly in a manger laid?
mf 'T is the Lord of all creation,
Who this wondrous path hath trod;
He is God from everlasting,
And to everlasting God.

mp 2 Who is this, a Man of Sorrows,
Walking sadly life's hard way,
Homeless, weary, sighing, weeping
Over sin and Satan's sway?
mf 'T is our God, our glorious Saviour,
Who above the starry sky
Now for us a place prepareth,
Where no tear can dim the eye.

pp 3 Who is this? behold Him shedding
Drops of blood upon the ground!
p Who is this, despised, rejected,
Mocked, insulted, beaten, bound?
m 'Tis our God, who gifts and graces
On His Church now poureth down,
Who shall smite in holy vengeance
All His foes beneath His throne.

pp 4 Who is this that hangeth dying
While the rude world scoffs and scorns,
Numbered with the malefactors,
Torn with nails, and crowned with thorns?
mf 'Tis the God who ever liveth
'Mid the shining ones on high,
In the glorious golden city
Reigning everlastingly. AMEN.

THE ASCENSION OF CHRIST

543

'Him hath God exalted to be a Prince and a Saviour.'

mf GOLDEN harps are sounding,
Angel voices ring,
Pearly gates are opened,
Opened for the King.
f Christ, the King of Glory,
Jesus, King of Love,
Is gone up in triumph
To His throne above.

mf *'All His work is ended,'*
Joyfully we sing;
f *'Jesus hath ascended;*
Glory to our King!'

mp 2 He who came to save us,
He who bled and died,
mf Now is crowned with glory
At His Father's side.
Never more to suffer,
Never more to die,
Jesus, King of Glory,
Is gone up on high.

m 3 Praying for His children
In that blessèd place,
Calling them to glory,
Sending them His grace,
His bright home preparing,
Faithful ones, for you,
mf Jesus ever liveth,
Ever loveth too.
AMEN.

THE PRAISE OF CHRIST

544

'O come, let us sing unto the Lord.'

mf COME, children, join to sing—
Hallelujah! Amen!—
Loud praise to Christ our King;
Hallelujah! Amen!
Let all with heart and voice
Before His throne rejoice;
Praise is His gracious choice:
Hallelujah! Amen!

2 Come, lift your hearts on high;
Hallelujah! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky;
Hallelujah! Amen!
m He is our Guide and Friend;
To us He 'll condescend;
His love shall never end:
Hallelujah! Amen!

mf 3 Praise yet the Lord again;
Hallelujah! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain;
Hallelujah! Amen!

f On heaven's blissful shore
His goodness we 'll adore,
Singing for evermore,
'Hallelujah! Amen!' AMEN.

545

'Because the Lord loved you . . hath the Lord redeemed you.'

m I LOVE to hear the story
Which angel voices tell,
How once the King of Glory
Came down on earth to dwell.
mp I am both weak and sinful;
c But this I surely know,
The Lord came down to save me,
Because He loved me so.

m 2 I 'm glad my blessèd Saviour
Was once a child like me,
To show how pure and holy
His little ones might be;

And, if I try to follow
His footsteps here below,
He never will forsake me,
Because He loves me so.

mf 3 To sing His love and mercy
My sweetest songs I 'll raise,
And, though I cannot see Him,
I know He hears my praise;
For He has kindly promised
That even I may go
To sing among His angels,
Because He loves me so. AMEN.

546

'Praise ye the Lord...for it is pleasant; and praise is comely.'

m LITTLE children, praise the Saviour;
He regards you from above;
Praise Him for His great salvation;
Praise Him for His precious love.
mf *Sweet hosannas*
To the name of Jesus sing.

m 2 When He left His home in glory,
When He lived with mortals here,
Little children sang His praises,
And it pleased His gracious ear.

3 When the anxious mothers round Him
With their tender infants pressed,
He with open arms received them,
And the little ones He blessed.

mf 4 Up in yonder happy regions
Angels sound the chorus high;
Twice ten thousand times ten thousand
Send His praises through the sky.

m 5 Little children, praise the Saviour;
Praise Him, your undying Friend;
c Praise Him till in heaven you meet Him,
There to praise Him without end.
AMEN.

547

'The exceeding riches of His grace.'

m HOW loving is Jesus, who came from the sky,
In tenderest pity for sinners to die!
mp His hands and His feet were nailed to the tree,
And all this He suffered for you and for me.

mf 2 How gladly does Jesus free pardon impart
To all who receive Him by faith in their heart!
No evil befalls them, their home is above,
And Jesus throws round them the arms of His love.

3 How precious is Jesus to all who believe!
And out of His fulness what grace they receive!
When weak He supports them, when erring He guides,
And everything needful He kindly provides.

m 4 O give, then, to Jesus your earliest days;
They only are blessèd who walk in His ways;
In life and in death He will still be your friend;
c For whom Jesus loves He loves to the end. AMEN.

548

'The Son of God, who loved me, and gave Himself for me.'

m JESUS loves me! this I know,
For the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong;
They are weak, but He is strong.
mf *Yes! Jesus loves me!*
The Bible tells me so.

mp 2 Jesus loves me! He who died
Heaven's gate to open wide;
He will wash away my sin,
Let His little child come in.

m 3 Jesus loves me! He will stay
Close beside me all the way,
c Then His little child will take
Up to heaven, for His dear sake.
AMEN.

549

'There is a Friend that sticketh closer than a brother.'

mf ONE is kind above all others;
O how He loves!
His is love beyond a brother's;
O how He loves!
mp Earthly friends may fail or leave thee,
One day kind, the next day grieve thee,
m But this Friend will ne'er deceive thee;
O how He loves!

2 Blessèd Jesus! wouldst thou know Him?
Give thine heart, thine all, unto Him;

mp Is it sin that pains and grieves thee,
Unbelief or trials seize thee?
m Jesus can from all release thee.

3 Love this Friend; He longs to save thee;
All through life He will not leave thee;
Think no more of friendships hollow;
Take His easy yoke and follow;
Jesus carries all thy sorrow.

mf 4 All thy sins shall be forgiven;
Backward shall thy foes be driven;
f Best of blessings He'll provide thee;
Nought but good shall e'er betide thee;
Safe to glory He will guide thee.
AMEN.

550

'Forasmuch as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, He also Himself likewise took part of the same.'

mf COME, praise your Lord and Saviour
In strains of holy mirth;
Give thanks to Him, O children,
Who lived a child on earth.
m He loved the little children,
And called them to His side;
His loving arms embraced them,
d And for their sake He died.

Boys only.

mf 2 O Jesus, we would praise Thee
With songs of holy joy,
For Thou on earth didst sojourn
A pure and spotless boy.
m Make us like Thee, obedient,
Like Thee from sin-stains free,
Like Thee in God's own temple,
In lowly home like Thee.

Girls only.

mf 3 O Jesus, we too praise Thee,
The lowly maiden's Son;
In Thee all gentlest graces
Are gathered into one.
m O give that best adornment
That Christian maid can wear,
The meek and quiet spirit
Which shone in Thee so fair.

All.

mf 4 O Lord, with voices blended
We sing our songs of praise;
m Be Thou the light and pattern
Of all our childhood's days;
And lead us ever onward,
That, while we stay below,
c We may, like Thee, O Jesus,
In grace and wisdom grow.
AMEN.

551

'Young men, and maidens; old men, and children: let them praise the name of the Lord.'

mf CHILDREN of Jerusalem
Sang the praise of Jesus' name:
Children, too, of modern days
Join to sing the Saviour's praise.
Hark! while infant voices sing
Loud hosannas to our King.

m 2 We are taught to love the Lord,
We are taught to read His word,
We are taught the way to heaven:
mf Praise for all to God be given.

3 Parents, teachers, old and young,
All unite to swell the song;
c Higher and yet higher rise,
Till hosannas reach the skies.
AMEN.

THE HOLY SPIRIT

552

'Led by the Spirit.'

mp HOLY Spirit, hear us;
Help us while we sing;
Breathe into the music
Of the praise we bring.

2 Holy Spirit, prompt us
When we kneel to pray;
Nearer come, and teach us
What we ought to say.
m 3 Holy Spirit, shine Thou
On the book we read;
Gild its holy pages
With the light we need.

4 Holy Spirit, give us
Each a lowly mind;
Make us more like Jesus,
Gentle, pure, and kind.

5 Holy Spirit, brighten
Little deeds of toil;
And our playful pastimes
Let no folly spoil

mp 6 Holy Spirit, keep us
Safe from sins which lie
Hidden by some pleasure
From our youthful eye.

m 7 Holy Spirit, help us
Daily, by Thy might,
What is wrong to conquer,
And to choose the right AMEN.

FAITH IN CHRIST

553

'Ye are not your own.'

m SAVIOUR, while my heart is tender,
I would yield that heart to Thee,
All my powers to Thee surrender,
Thine, and only Thine, to be.

2 Take me now, Lord Jesus, take me;
Let my youthful heart be Thine;
Thy devoted servant make me;
Fill my soul with love Divine.

3 Send me, Lord, where Thou wilt send me,
Only do Thou guide my way;
May Thy grace through life attend me,
Gladly then shall I obey.

4 Let me do Thy will or bear it;
I would know no will but Thine;
Shouldst Thou take my life or spare it,
I that life to Thee resign.

mf 5 Thine I am, O Lord, for ever,
To Thy service set apart;
Suffer me to leave Thee never;
Seal Thine image on my heart.
AMEN.

554

'The meekness and gentleness of Christ.'

mp GENTLE Jesus, meek and mild,
Look upon a little child,
Pity my simplicity,
Suffer me to come to Thee.

2 Fain I would to Thee be brought;
Dearest Lord, forbid it not;
Give a little child a place
In the kingdom of Thy grace.

m 3 Lamb of God, I look to Thee;
Thou shalt my example be;
Thou art gentle, meek, and mild;
Thou wast once a little child.

4 Fain I would be as Thou art;
Give me Thy obedient heart;
Thou art pitiful and kind;
Let me have Thy loving mind.

mp 5 Loving Jesus, gentle Lamb,
In Thy gracious hands I am;
Make me, Saviour, what Thou art;
Live Thyself within my heart.

mf 6 I shall then show forth Thy praise,
Serve Thee all my happy days;
Then the world shall always see
Christ, the Holy Child, in me.
AMEN.

555

'There shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth . . but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.'

m THERE is a city bright;
Closed are its gates to sin;
Nought that defileth,
Nought that defileth
Can ever enter in.

mp 2 Saviour, I come to Thee;
O Lamb of God, I pray,
Cleanse me and save me,
Cleanse me and save me,
Wash all my sins away.

m 3 Lord, make me, from this hour,
Thy loving child to be,
Kept by Thy power,
Kept by Thy power
From all that grieveth Thee,—

mf 4 Till in the snow-white dress
Of Thy redeemed I stand,
Faultless and stainless,
Faultless and stainless,
Safe in that happy land. AMEN.

556

'For Thy name's sake lead me, and guide me.'

m SAVIOUR, like a shepherd lead us,
Much we need Thy tender care;
In Thy pleasant pastures feed us;
For our use Thy folds prepare:
mf Blessèd Jesus!
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.

m 2 We are Thine; do Thou befriend us;
Be the Guardian of our way;
Keep from ill; from sin defend us;
Seek us when we go astray:
Blessèd Jesus!
Hear us children when we pray.

3 Thou hast promised to receive us,
Poor and sinful though we be;
Thou hast mercy to relieve us,
Grace to cleanse, and power to free:
Blessèd Jesus!
Early let us turn to Thee.

4 Early let us seek Thy favour;
Early let us do Thy will;
mf Blessèd Lord and only Saviour,
With Thyself our bosoms fill:
c Blessèd Jesus!
Thou hast loved us, love us still.
AMEN.

557

'I will be glad in the Lord.'

m IF I come to Jesus,
He will make me glad;
He will give me pleasure
When my heart is sad.
mf *If I come to Jesus,*
Happy shall I be;
He is gently calling
Little ones like me.

m 2 If I come to Jesus,
He will hear my prayer;
He will love me dearly;
He my sins did bear.

mf 3 If I come to Jesus,
He will take my hand,
He will kindly lead me
To a better land.

4 There with happy children,
Robed in snowy white,
I shall see my Saviour
In that world so bright.
AMEN.

558

'Hear my cry, O God; attend unto my prayer.'

m JESUS, high in glory,
Lend a listening ear;
When we bow before Thee,
Children's praises hear.

2 Though Thou art so holy,
Heaven's almighty King,
Thou wilt stoop to listen
When Thy praise we sing.

mp 3 We are little children,
Weak and apt to stray;
Saviour, guide and keep us
In the heavenly way.

4 Save us, Lord, from sinning;
Watch us day by day;
Help us now to love Thee;
Take our sins away.

mf 5 Then, when Thou shalt call us
To our heavenly home,
We will gladly answer,
'Saviour, Lord, we come.'
AMEN.

LIKENESS TO CHRIST

559

'Thou art my trust from my youth.'

mp JESUS, from Thy throne on high,
Far above the bright blue sky,
Look on us with loving eye:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

mf 2 Little children need not fear
When they know that Thou art near;
Thou dost love us, Saviour dear:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

3 Little hearts may love Thee well;
Little lips Thy love may tell,
Little hymns Thy praises swell:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

4 Little deeds of love may shine;
Little lives may be divine,
Little ones be wholly Thine:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

m 5 Fold us to Thy loving breast;
There may we, in happy rest,
Feel that we indeed are blest:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

6 Be Thou with us every day,
In our work and in our play,
When we learn and when we pray:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

7 May our thoughts be undefiled;
May our words be true and mild;
Make us each a holy child:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

p 8 Jesus, Son of God most high,
Who didst in the manger lie,
Who upon the cross didst die,
Hear us, Holy Jesus.

mp 9 Jesus, from Thy heavenly throne
Watching o'er each little one,
Till our life on earth is done,
Hear us, Holy Jesus. AMEN.

560

'Like Him.'

m I WANT to be like Jesus,
So lowly and so meek,
For no one marked an angry word
That ever heard Him speak.

2 I want to be like Jesus,
So frequently in prayer;
Alone upon the mountain-top,
He met His Father there.

3 I want to be like Jesus:
I never, never find
That He, though persecuted, was
To any one unkind.

4 I want to be like Jesus,
Engaged in doing good,
So that of me it may be said.
'She hath done what she could.'

mp 5 But O I 'm not like Jesus,
As any one may see;
mf Then, gentle Saviour, send Thy grace,
And make me like to Thee.
AMEN.

561

'The Lord is faithful, who shall stablish you, and keep you from evil.'

mf YIELD not to temptation, for yielding is sin;
Each victory will help you some other to win;
Fight manfully onward; dark passions subdue;
Look ever to Jesus, He will carry you through.

m *Ask the Saviour to help you,*
Comfort, strengthen, and keep you;
mf *He is willing to aid you;*
He will carry you through.

m 2 Shun evil companions; bad language disdain;
God's name hold in reverence, nor take it in vain;
Be thoughtful and earnest, kind-hearted and true;
Look ever to Jesus, He will carry you through.

mf 3 To him that o'ercometh God giveth a crown;
Through faith we shall conquer, though often cast down;
He who is our Saviour our strength will renew;
Look ever to Jesus, He will carry you through.
AMEN.

562

'O our God, hear the prayer of Thy servant, and his supplications ...for the Lord's sake.'

mp ALL our sinful words and ways,
All our wasted hours and days,
All our pride and love of praise,
Forgive, O Lord, for Jesus' sake.

2 Every time from truth we've erred,
Every bad or idle word
Which Thy holy ears have heard,
Forgive, O Lord, for Jesus' sake.

3 All the mischief we have wrought,
All forbidden things we've sought,
All the sin to others taught,
Forgive, O Lord, for Jesus' sake.

4 All our sloth and vanity,
All our sinful levity,
All forgetfulness of Thee,
Forgive, O Lord, for Jesus' sake.

m 5 All the help we need each day,
That we may not fall away
Or from Jesus go astray,
O give us, Lord, for Jesus' sake.

6 Faith, to see Thee ever near,
Hope, to check each foolish fear,
Constant strength, to persevere,
O give us, Lord, for Jesus' sake.

7 Every needful gift of grace,
Till we reach the holy place
Where we shall behold Thy face,
O give us, Lord, for Jesus' sake.
AMEN.

563

'My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not.'

m DO no sinful action;
Speak no angry word;
Ye belong to Jesus,
Children of the Lord.

2 Christ is kind and gentle,
Christ is pure and true,
And His little children
Must be holy too.

mp 3 There 's a wicked spirit
Watching round you still,
And he tries to tempt you
To all harm and ill.

m 4 But ye must not hear him,
Though 't is hard for you
To resist the evil
And the good to do.

mf 5 Christ is your own Master;
He is good and true,
And His little children
Must be holy too. AMEN.

564

'Thou good servant . . faithful in a very little.'

m LITTLE drops of water,
Little grains of sand,
Make the mighty ocean
And the pleasant land.

2 So the little moments,
Humble though they be,
Make the mighty ages
Of eternity.

3 So our little errors
Lead the soul away
From the path of virtue,
Far in sin to stray.

4 Little deeds of kindness,
Little words of love,
c Help to make earth happy
Like the heaven above. AMEN.

FOLLOWING CHRIST

565

'Our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep.'

m JESUS is our Shepherd,
Wiping every tear;
Folded in His bosom,
What have we to fear?
Only let us follow
Whither He doth lead,—
To the thirsty desert
Or the dewy mead.

2 Jesus is our Shepherd:
Well we know His voice;
How its gentlest whisper
Makes our heart rejoice!
mp Even when He chideth,
Tender is its tone;
m None but He shall guide us;
We are His alone.

mp 3 Jesus is our Shepherd:
For the sheep He bled;
Every lamb is sprinkled
With the blood He shed;
m Then on each He setteth
His own secret sign:
'They that have My Spirit,
These,' saith He, 'are Mine.'

mf 4 Jesus is our Shepherd:
Guarded by His arm,
Though the wolves may raven,
None can do us harm;
mp When we tread death's valley,
Dark with fearful gloom,
m We will fear no evil,
Victors o'er the tomb. AMEN.

566

'My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.'

m LOVING Shepherd of Thy sheep,
Keep me, Lord, in safety keep;
Nothing can Thy power withstand;
None can pluck me from Thy hand.

mp 2 Loving Shepherd, Thou didst give
Thine own life that I might live;
m May I love Thee day by day,
Gladly Thy sweet will obey.

3 Loving Shepherd, ever near,
Teach me still Thy voice to hear;
Suffer not my feet to stray
From the straight and narrow way.

4 Where Thou leadest may I go,
Walking in Thy steps below;
mf Then, before Thy Father's throne,
Jesus, claim me for Thine own.
AMEN.

567

'Come, follow Me.'

mp 'FOLLOW Me,' the Master said;
m We will follow Jesus:
By His word and Spirit led,
We will follow Jesus.
Still for us He lives to plead,
At the throne doth intercede,
Offers help in time of need:
We will follow Jesus.

2 Should the world and sin oppose,
We will follow Jesus:
mf He is greater than our foes;
We will follow Jesus.
On His promise we depend;
He will succour and defend,
Help and keep us to the end:
We will follow Jesus.

m 3 Though the way may dark appear,
We will follow Jesus:
He will make our pathway clear;
We will follow Jesus.
In our daily round of care,
As we plead with God in prayer,
With the cross which we must bear,
We will follow Jesus.

4 Ever keep the end in view;
We will follow Jesus:
All His promises are true;
We will follow Jesus.
mf When this earthly course is run,
And the Master says, 'Well done!'
Life eternal we have won:
We will follow Jesus. AMEN.

568

'He shall feed His flock like a shepherd.'

mp LEAD, holy Shepherd, lead us,
Thy feeble flock, we pray;
m Thou King of little pilgrims,
Safe lead us all the way.

2 In Thy blest footprints guide us
Along the heavenward road;
mf Thine age fills all the ages,
Undying Word of God.

3 That life, O Christ, is noblest
Which praises God the best,—
A life celestial, nourished
At wisdom's holy breast.

m 4 By her good nurture let us,
Thy little ones, be fed,
And by her guidance gentle
Our wandering steps be led.

5 O fill us with Thy Spirit,
Like morning dew shed down,
c And with our praises loyal
King Jesus we shall crown.

mf 6 O be our lives our tribute,
The meed of praise we bring,
When thus we join to honour
Our Teacher and our King.
AMEN.

569

'He goeth before them, and the sheep follow Him.'

mf THE world looks very beautiful
And full of joy to me;
The sun shines out in glory
On everything I see;
I know I shall be happy
While in the world I stay,
For I will follow Jesus
All the way.

m 2 I'm but a little pilgrim,
My journey 's just begun,
mp They say I shall meet sorrow
Before my journey 's done;
'The world is full of sorrow
And suffering,' they say,
mf But I will follow Jesus
All the way.

m 3 Then, like a little pilgrim,
Whatever I may meet,
I 'll take it, joy or sorrow,
To lay at Jesus' feet.
mf He 'll comfort me in trouble;
He 'll wipe my tears away;
With joy I 'll follow Jesus
All the way.

m 4 Then trials cannot vex me,
And pain I need not fear,
For, when I 'm close by Jesus,
Grief cannot come too near.
mp Not even death can harm me;
When death I meet one day,
mf To heaven I 'll follow Jesus
All the way. AMEN.

570

'We love Him, because He first loved us.'

m SAVIOUR, teach me, day by day,
Love's sweet lesson,—to obey;
Sweeter lesson cannot be,
Loving Him who first loved me.

2 With a child's glad heart of love
At Thy bidding may I move,
Prompt to serve and follow Thee,
Loving Him who first loved me.

3 Teach me thus Thy steps to trace,
Strong to follow in Thy grace,
Learning how to love from Thee,
Loving Him who first loved me.

mf 4 Love in loving finds employ,
In obedience all her joy;
Ever new that joy will be,
Loving Him who first loved me.

m 5 Though a foolish child and weak,
More than this I need not seek,—
f Singing, till Thy face I see,
Of His love who first loved me.

AMEN.

571

'I have given Him for..a leader and commander.'

mf BRIGHTLY gleams our banner,
Pointing to the sky,
Waving on Christ's soldiers
To their home on high.
Marching through the desert,
Gladly thus we pray,
Still with hearts united
Singing on our way.
f *Brightly gleams our banner,*
Pointing to the sky,
Waving on Christ's soldiers
To their home on high.

mf 2 Jesus, Lord and Master,
At Thy sacred feet,
Here, with hearts rejoicing,
See Thy children meet.
mp Often have we left Thee,
Often gone astray;
m Keep us, mighty Saviour,
In the narrow way.

3 Pattern of our childhood,
Once Thyself a child,
Make our childhood holy,
Pure, and meek, and mild.
In the hour of danger
Whither can we flee,
Save to Thee, dear Saviour,
Only unto Thee?

4 All our days direct us
In the way we go;
Crown us still victorious
Over every foe;
Bid Thine angels shield us
When the storm-clouds lower;
d Pardon Thou and save us
In the last dread hour.

mf 5 Then with saints and angels
May we join above,
Offering prayers and praises
At Thy throne of love.
When the march is over,
Then come rest and peace,
Jesus in His beauty,
Songs that never cease.

AMEN.

SERVING CHRIST

572

'She hath done what she could.'

m O WHAT can little hands do
To please the King of heaven?
The little hands some work may try,
To help the poor in misery:
Such grace to mine be given.

2 O what can little lips do
To please the King of heaven?
The little lips can praise and pray,
And gentle words of kindness say:
Such grace to mine be given.

3 O what can little eyes do
To please the King of heaven?
The little eyes can upward look,
Can learn to read God's holy book:
Such grace to mine be given.

4 O what can little hearts do
To please the King of heaven?
Young hearts, if God His Spirit send,
Can love their Maker, Saviour, Friend:
Such grace to mine be given.

AMEN.

573

'Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.'

m DEAR Master, what can children do?
The angels came from heaven above
To comfort Thee; may children too
Give Thee their love?

mp 2 No more, as on that night of shame,
Art Thou in dark Gethsemane,
Where worshipping, an angel came
To strengthen Thee.

m 3 But Thou hast taught us that Thou art
Still present in the crowded street,
In every lonely, suffering heart
That there we meet.

4 And not one simple, loving deed,
That lessens gloom, or lightens pain,
Or answers some unspoken need,
Is done in vain,—

5 Since every passing joy we make
For men and women that we see,
If it is offered for Thy sake,
Is given to Thee.

mf 6 O God, our Master, help us then
To bless the weary and the sad,
c And, comforting our fellow-men,
To make Thee glad. AMEN.

574

'To obey is better than sacrifice.'

m THE wise may bring their learning,
The rich may bring their wealth,
And some may bring their greatness,
And some bring strength and health;
We, too, would bring our treasures
To offer to the King;
We have no wealth or learning:
What shall we children bring?

2 We'll bring Him hearts that love Him;
We'll bring Him thankful praise,
And young souls meekly striving
To walk in holy ways:
mf And these shall be the treasures
We offer to the King,
And these are gifts that even
The poorest child may bring.

m 3 We'll bring the little duties
We have to do each day;
We'll try our best to please Him,
At home, at school, at play:
mf And better are these treasures
To offer to our King
Than richest gifts without them;
Yet these a child may bring.
AMEN.

575

'Let him do it as of the ability which God giveth.'

m THE fields are all white,
And the reapers are few;
We children are willing,
But what can we do
To work for our Lord in His harvest?

2 Our hands are so small,
And our words are so weak
We cannot teach others:
How then shall we seek
To work for our Lord in His harvest?

3 We'll work by our prayers,
By the offerings we bring,
By small self-denials;
The least little thing
May work for our Lord in His harvest,—

4 Until by and by,
As the years pass, at length
mf We too may be reapers
And go forth in strength
To work for our Lord in His harvest. AMEN.

576

'The firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring into the house of the Lord thy God.'

m FAIR waved the golden corn
In Canaan's pleasant land,
When full of joy, some shining morn,
Went forth the reaper band.

mf 2 To God, so good and great,
Their cheerful thanks they pour,
Then carry to His temple gate
The choicest of their store.

m 3 For thus the holy word,
Spoken by Moses, ran:
'The first ripe ears are for the Lord,
The rest He gives to man.'

4 Like Israel, Lord, we give
Our earliest fruits to Thee,
And pray that, long as we shall live,
We may Thy children be.

5 Thine is our youthful prime,
And life and all its powers;
Be with us in our morning time,
And bless our evening hours.

mf 6 In wisdom let us grow,
As years and strength are given,
c That we may serve Thy Church below,
And join Thy saints in heaven.
AMEN.

577

'Even a child is known by his doings.'

m WE are but little children weak,
Nor born in any high estate;
What can we do for Jesus' sake,
Who is so high and good and great?

2 O, day by day, each Christian child
Has much to do, without, within,—
mp A death to die for Jesus' sake,
A weary war to wage with sin.

3 When deep within our swelling hearts
The thoughts of pride and anger rise,
When bitter words are on our tongues
And tears of passion in our eyes,

m 4 Then we may stay the angry blow,
Then we may check the hasty word,
Give gentle answers back again,
And fight a battle for our Lord.

mf 5 With smiles of peace and looks of love
Light in our dwellings we may make,
Bid kind good-humour brighten there,
And still do all for Jesus' sake.

m 6 There's not a child so small and weak
But has his little cross to take,
His little work of love and praise
That he may do for Jesus' sake.
AMEN.

PILGRIMAGE

578

'Your little ones . . will I bring in.'

m WHEN from Egypt's house of bondage
Israel marched, a mighty band,
Little children numbered with them
Journeyed to the promised land,
Little children
Trod the desert's trackless sand.

2 Little children crossed the Jordan,
Landed on fair Canaan's shore;
'Neath the sheltering vine they rested,
Homeless wanderers now no more;
Little children
Sang sweet praise for perils o'er.

3 Saviour, like those Hebrew children,
Youthful pilgrims we would be;
From the chains of sin and Satan
Thou hast died to set us free;
We would traverse
All the wilderness with Thee.

mp 4 Guide our feeble, erring footsteps;
Shade us from the heat by day;
Be our light from shadowy nightfall
Till the darkness pass away;
Jesus, guard us
From the dangers of the way.

p 5 When we reach the cold, dark river,
mp Bid us tremble not nor fear;
Be Thou with us in the waters—
m We are safe if Thou art near;
Through the billows
Let the emerald bow appear.

mf 6 Then, our pilgrim journey ended,
All Thy glory we shall see,
Dwell with saints and holy angels,
Rest beneath life's healing tree,—
f Happy children,
Praising, blessing, loving Thee.
AMEN.

579

'I am a stranger in the earth: hide not Thy commandments from me.'

m I'M a little pilgrim,
And a stranger here;
Though this world is pleasant,
Sin is always near.

mf 2 Mine's a better country,
Where there is no sin,
Where the tones of sorrow
Never enter in.

m 3 But a little pilgrim
Must have garments clean,
If he 'd wear the white robes,
And with Christ be seen.

mp 4 Jesus, cleanse and save me;
Teach me to obey;
Holy Spirit, guide me
On my heavenly way.

m 5 I 'm a little pilgrim,
And a stranger here;
mf But my home in heaven
Cometh ever near. AMEN.

580

'We are journeying unto the place of which the Lord said, I will give it you: come thou with us.'

m WHITHER, pilgrims, are you going,
Going each with staff in hand?
f We are going on a journey,
Going at our King's command;
Over hills and plains and valleys,
We are going to His palace,
Going to the better land.

mp 2 Fear ye not the way so lonely,
You a little, feeble band?
mf No; for friends unseen are near us,
Holy angels round us stand;
Christ, our Leader, walks beside us;
He will guard, and He will guide us,
Guide us to the better land.

m 3 Tell us, pilgrims, what you hope for
In that far-off better land?
f Spotless robes and crowns of glory,
From a Saviour's loving hand;
We shall drink of life's clear river,
We shall dwell with God for ever,
In that bright and better land.

m 4 Pilgrims, may we travel with you
To that bright and better land?
mf Come and welcome, come and welcome,
Welcome to our pilgrim band.
Come, O come, and do not leave us;
Christ is waiting to receive us
In that bright and better land.
AMEN.

581

'Hold up my goings in Thy paths, that my footsteps slip not.'

mp CHILDHOOD'S years are passing o'er us;
Soon our school-days will be done;
p Cares and sorrows lie before us,
Hidden dangers, snares unknown.

mp 2 O may He who, meek and lowly,
Trod Himself this vale of woe
Make us His, and make us holy,
Guard and guide us while we go.

m 3 Hark! it is the Saviour calling,
'Little children, follow Me!'
mp Jesus, keep our feet from falling;
Teach us all to follow Thee.

p 4 Soon we part—it may be never,
Never here to meet again;
mf O to meet in heaven for ever!
O the crown of life to gain!
AMEN.

582

'Thou hast redeemed us to God by Thy blood out of every . . people and nation.'

m LITTLE travellers Zionward,
Each one entering into rest
In the kingdom of your Lord,
In the mansions of the blest,
mf There to welcome Jesus waits,
Gives the crowns His followers win:
f Lift your heads, ye golden gates,
Let the little travellers in!

m 2 Who are they whose little feet,
Pacing earth's dark journey through,
Now have reached that heavenly seat
They had ever kept in view?
'I from Greenland's frozen land;'
'I from India's burning plain;'
'I from Afric's desert sand;'
'I from islands of the main.'

mf 3 All their earthly journey past,
Every tear and pain gone by,
Here together met at last,
At the portal of the sky,—
Each the welcome, 'Come,' awaits,
Conquerors over death and sin:
f Lift your heads, ye golden gates,
Let the little travellers in! AMEN.

583

'Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth.'

m BY cool Siloam's shady rill
How sweet the lily grows!
How sweet the breath, beneath the hill,
Of Sharon's dewy rose!

2 Lo! such the child whose early feet
The paths of peace have trod,
Whose secret heart with influence
Is upward drawn to God. [sweet

mp 3 By cool Siloam's shady rill
The lily must decay,
The rose that blooms beneath the hill
Must shortly fade away;

4 And soon, too soon, the wintry hour
Of man's maturer age [power
Will shake the soul with sorrow's
And stormy passion's rage.

m 5 O Thou whose infant feet were found
Within Thy Father's shrine,
Whose years, with changeless virtue crowned,
Were all alike Divine,

6 Dependent on Thy bounteous breath,
We seek Thy grace alone,
In childhood, manhood, age, and death
To keep us still Thine own.

AMEN.

HEAVEN

584

'Of such is the kingdom of heaven.'

m THERE came a little Child to earth
Long ago;
And the angels of God proclaimed His birth,
High and low.

mp Out on the night, so calm and still,
Their song was heard;

m For they knew that the Child on Bethlehem's hill
Was Christ the Lord.

mf 2 Far away in a goodly land,
Fair and bright,
Children with crowns of glory stand,
Robed in white,
In white more pure than the spotless snow;
And their tongues unite
In the psalm which the angels sang long ago
On that still night.

m 3 They sing how the Lord of that world so fair
A child was born,

p And, that they might a crown of glory wear,
Wore a crown of thorn,
And in mortal weakness, in want and pain,
Came forth to die,

c That the children of earth might for ever reign
With Him on high.

mf 4 He has put on His kingly apparel now,
In that goodly land;
And He leads to where fountains of water flow
That chosen band;
And for evermore, in their robes most fair
And undefiled,
Those ransomed children His praise declare
Who was once a child.

AMEN.

585

'They shall be Mine in that day when I make up My jewels.'

m WHEN He cometh, when He cometh
To make up His jewels,
All His jewels, precious jewels,
His loved and His own,

mf *Like the stars of the morning,*
His bright crown adorning.
They shall shine in their beauty,
Bright gems for His crown.

m 2 He will gather, He will gather
The gems for His kingdom,
All the pure ones, all the bright ones,
His loved and His own.

3 Little children, little children
Who love their Redeemer,
Are the jewels, precious jewels,
His loved and His own.

AMEN.

586

'The things which God hath prepared for them that love Him.'

mf THERE 's a Friend for little children
Above the bright blue sky,
A Friend who never changes,
Whose love can never die.
Unlike our friends by nature,
Who change with changing years,
This Friend is always worthy
The precious name He bears.

m 2 There 's a rest for little children
Above the bright blue sky,
Who love the blessèd Saviour
And to the Father cry,—
A rest from every trouble,
From sin and danger free,
Where every little pilgrim
Shall rest eternally.

mf 3 There 's a home for little children
Above the bright blue sky,
Where Jesus reigns in glory,
A home of peace and joy.
No home on earth is like it,
Or can with it compare,
For every one is happy,
Nor could be happier, there.

4 There 's a crown for little children
Above the bright blue sky,
And all who look for Jesus
Shall wear it by and by,—
A crown of brightest glory,
Which He will then bestow
On all who 've found His favour
And loved His name below.

5 There 's a song for little children
Above the bright blue sky,
A song that will not weary
Though sung continually,
m A song which even angels
Can never, never sing;
They know not Christ as Saviour,
But worship Him as King.

mf 6 There 's a robe for little children
Above the bright blue sky,
And a harp of sweetest music,
And a palm of victory.
All, all above is treasured,
And found in Christ alone;
O come, dear little children,
That all may be your own.

AMEN.

587

'They have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.'

mf AROUND the throne of God in heaven
Thousands of children stand,
Children whose sins are all forgiven,
A holy, happy band,
Singing, 'Glory, glory, glory!'

2 In flowing robes of spotless white
See every one arrayed,
Dwelling in everlasting light
And joys that never fade,
Singing, 'Glory, glory, glory!'

mp 3 What brought them to that world above,
That heaven so bright and fair,
Where all is peace and joy and love?
How came those children there,
Singing, 'Glory, glory, glory'?

m 4 Because the Saviour shed His blood
To wash away their sin;
Bathed in that pure and precious flood,
Behold them white and clean,
Singing, 'Glory, glory, glory!'

5 On earth they sought the Saviour's grace,
On earth they loved His name;
mf So now they see His blessèd face,
And stand before the Lamb,
Singing, 'Glory, glory, glory!'

AMEN.

588

'It doth not yet appear what we shall be.'

m WE speak of the realms of the blest,
Of that country so bright and so fair,
And oft are its glories confessed;
mf But what must it be to be there!

m 2 We speak of its pathways of gold,
Of its walls decked with jewels most rare,
Of its wonders and pleasures untold;
mf But what must it be to be there!

mp 3 We speak of its freedom from sin,
From sorrow, temptation, and care,
From trials without and within;
mf But what must it be to be there!

m 4 We speak of its anthems of praise,
With which we can never compare
The sweetest on earth we can raise;
mf But what must it be to be there!

m 5 We speak of its service of love,
Of the robes which the glorified wear,
Of the Church of the first-born above;
mf But what must it be to be there!

m 6 Then let us, 'midst pleasure or woe,
Still for heaven our spirits prepare;
c And shortly we also shall know
And feel what it is to be there.
AMEN.

589

'The streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in the streets thereof.'

mp HERE we suffer grief and pain;
Here we meet to part again;
m In heaven we part no more.
f *O that will be joyful,*
Joyful, joyful, joyful;
O that will be joyful,
When we meet to part no more.

m 2 All who love the Lord below,
When they die, to heaven will go,
And sing with saints above.

3 Little children will be there,
Who have sought the Lord by prayer,
From every Sabbath school.

4 Teachers, too, shall meet above,
And our pastors, whom we love,
Shall meet to part no more.

mf 5 O how happy we shall be,
For our Saviour we shall see
Exalted on His throne!

6 There we all shall sing with joy,
And eternity employ
In praising Christ the Lord.
AMEN.

590

'Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.'

mf A CROWN of glory bright
By faith I see,
In yonder realms of light
Prepared for me.

m 2 O may I faithful prove,
Keep it in view,
And through the storms of life
My way pursue.

3 Jesus, be Thou my guide;
My steps attend;
O keep me near Thy side;
Be Thou my friend.

4 Be Thou my shield and sun,
My constant guard,
c And, when my work is done,
My great reward. AMEN.

591

'The Lamb is the light thereof.'

m THERE is a better world, they say,
O so bright!
Where sin and woe are done away
O so bright!
mf And music fills the balmy air,
And angels with bright wings are there,
And harps of gold and mansions fair:
O so bright!

m 2 No clouds e'er pass along its sky,
Happy land!
mp No tear-drop glistens in the eye,
Happy land!
m They drink the living streams of grace,
c And gaze upon the Saviour's face,
Whose brightness fills the holy place.
Happy land!

mp 3 Though we are sinners every one—
Jesus died!—
And though our crown of peace is gone—
Jesus died!—
m We may be cleansed from every stain,
mf We may be crowned with peace again,
And in that land of bliss may reign
m Jesus died! AMEN.

592

'The land .. is an exceeding good land.'

m THERE is a happy land,
Far, far away,
Where saints in glory stand,
Bright, bright as day.
c O how they sweetly sing,
'Worthy is our Saviour King!'
f Loud let His praises ring,
Praise, praise for aye.

m 2 Come to this happy land,
Come, come away;
Why will ye doubting stand?
Why still delay?

mf O we shall happy be
When, from sin and sorrow free,
Lord, we shall live with Thee,
Blest, blest for aye.

m 3 Bright in that happy land
Beams every eye;
Kept by a Father's hand,
Love cannot die:
mf On then to glory run;
Be a crown and kingdom won;
And, bright above the sun,
Reign, reign for aye. AMEN.

593

'He will save .. He will rest in His love, He will joy over thee with singing.'

mp SAFE in the arms of Jesus,
Safe on His gentle breast,
There, by His love o'ershaded,
Sweetly my soul shall rest.
Hark! 't is the voice of angels,
Borne in a song to me,
Over the fields of glory,
Over the crystal sea!
mp *Safe in the arms of Jesus,*
Safe on His gentle breast,
There, by His love o'ershaded,
Sweetly my soul shall rest.

m 2 Safe in the arms of Jesus,
Safe from corroding care,
Safe from the world's temptations,
Sin cannot harm me there,—
Free from the blight of sorrow,
Free from my doubts and fears,
Only a few more trials,
Only a few more tears.

mf 3 Jesus, my heart's dear refuge,
Jesus has died for me;
Firm on the Rock of Ages
Ever my trust shall be.
mp Here let me wait with patience,
c Wait till the night is o'er,
Wait till I see the morning
Break on the golden shore.
AMEN.

594

'He shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.'

m SHALL we gather at the river,
Where bright angel-feet have trod,
With its crystal tide for ever
Flowing from the throne of God?
mf *Yes, we'll gather at the river,*
The beautiful, the beautiful river,
Gather with the saints at the river
That flows from the throne of God.

m 2 Ere we reach the shining river
Lay we every burden down
Grace our spirits will deliver,
And provide a robe and crown.

3 At the smiling of the river,
Mirror of the Saviour's face,
Saints whom death will never sever
Lift their songs of saving grace.

mf 4 Soon we'll reach the shining river;
Soon our pilgrimage will cease;
Soon our happy hearts will quiver
With the melody of peace.
AMEN.

MORNING

595

'I laid me down and slept; I awaked; for the Lord sustained me.'

n THE morning bright,
With rosy light,
Has waked me up from sleep;
Father, I own
Thy love alone
Thy little one doth keep.

mp 2 All through the day,
I humbly pray,
Be Thou my guard and guide,
My sins forgive,
And let me live,
Blest Jesus, near Thy side.

3 O make Thy rest
Within my breast,
Great Spirit of all grace;
m Make me like Thee,
Then shall I be
Prepared to see Thy face. AMEN.

596

'Be thou in the fear of the Lord all the day long.'

mp JESUS, holy, undefiled,
Listen to a little child.
m Thou hast sent the glorious light
Chasing far the silent night;

2 Thou hast sent the sun to shine
O'er this glorious world of Thine,
Warmth to give, and pleasant glow,
On each tender flower below.

3 Now the little birds arise,
Chirping gaily in the skies;
Thee their tiny voices praise
In the early songs they raise

4 Thou by whom the birds are fed,
Give to me my daily bread;
And Thy Holy Spirit give,
Without whom I cannot live.

5 Make me, Lord, obedient, mild,
As becomes a little child;
All day long, in every way,
Teach me what to do and say.

6 Make me, Lord, in work and play,
Thine more truly every day;
mf And, when Thou at last shalt come,
Take me to Thy heavenly home.
AMEN.

597

The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in.'

mf THE darkness now is over,
And all the world is bright;
c Praise be to Christ, who keepeth
His children safe at night!

m 2 We cannot tell what gladness
May be our lot to-day,
mp What sorrow or temptation
May meet us on our way;

mf 3 But this we know most surely,
That, through all good or ill,
God's grace can always help us
To do His holy will.

m 4 Then, Jesus, let the angels,
Who watched us through the night,
Be all day long beside us,
To guide our steps aright;

5 And help us to remember,
In thought and deed and word,
That we are heirs of heaven
And children of the Lord.

mp 6 Then, when the evening cometh,
We'll kneel again to pray,
mf And thank Thee for the blessings
Bestowed throughout the day.
AMEN.

EVENING

598

'To shew forth . . Thy faithfulness every night.'

m THE hours of day are over;
The evening calls us home;
Once more to Thee, O Father,
With thankful hearts we come;
mf For all Thy countless blessings
We praise Thy holy name,
And own Thy love unchanging,
Through days and years the same.

2 For life, and health, and shelter
From harm throughout the day,
The kindness of our teachers,
The gladness of our play,
For all the dear affection
Of parents, brothers, friends,
To Him our thanks we render
Who these and all things sends.

m 3 But these, O Lord, can show us
Thy goodness but in part;
Thy love would lead us onward
To know Thee as Thou art:
Thy Son came down from heaven
To take away our sin;
Thy Spirit dwells among us
To make us clean within.

mf 4 For this, O Lord, we bless Thee,
For this we thank Thee most,—
The cleansing of the sinful,
The saving of the lost,
The Teacher ever present,
The Friend for ever nigh,
The home prepared by Jesus
For us above the sky.

mp 5 Lord, gather all Thy children
To meet Thee there at last,
When earthly tasks are ended,
And earthly days are past,
With all our dear ones round us,
c In that eternal home
Where death no more shall part us,
And night shall never come.
AMEN.

599

'Thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet.'

m NOW the day is over,
Night is drawing nigh,
Shadows of the evening
Steal across the sky.

2 Now the darkness gathers,
Stars begin to peep,
Birds, and beasts, and flowers
Soon will be asleep.

mp 3 Jesus, give the weary
Calm and sweet repose;
With Thy tender blessing
May mine eyelids close.

m 4 Grant to little children
Visions bright of Thee;
Guard the sailors tossing
On the deep blue sea.

mp 5 Comfort every sufferer
Watching late in pain;
Those who plan some evil
From their sin restrain.

6 Through the long night-watches
May Thine angels spread
Their white wings above me,
Watching round my bed.

mf 7 When the morning wakens,
Then may I arise
Pure, and fresh, and sinless
In Thy holy eyes.

f 8 Glory to the Father,
Glory to the Son,
And to Thee, blest Spirit,
Whilst all ages run. AMEN.

600

'Thou shalt lie down, and none shall make thee afraid.'

mp THE daylight fades,
The evening shades
Are gathering round my head;
m Father above,
I praise that love
Which smooths and guards my bed.

2 While Thou art near,
I need not fear
The gloom of midnight hour,
Blest Jesus; still
From every ill
Defend me with Thy power.

pc 3 Subdue my sin,
And enter in
And sanctify my heart,
Spirit Divine;
m O make me Thine,
And ne'er from me depart. AMEN.

601

'I will make them to lie down safely.'

mp JESUS, tender Shepherd, hear me;
Bless Thy little lamb to-night;
Through the darkness be Thou near me;
Watch my sleep till morning light.

m 2 All this day Thy hand has led me,
And I thank Thee for Thy care;
Thou hast clothed me, warmed and fed me;
Listen to my evening prayer.

mp 3 Let my sins be all forgiven;
Bless the friends I love so well;
m Take me, when I die, to heaven,
Happy there with Thee to dwell.
AMEN.

602

'O Lord, be not far from me.'

mp MY Saviour, be Thou near me
When I lie down to sleep,
And safe from every danger
My soul and body keep.
m With Thee there is no darkness;
The light it shineth still;
c My Saviour, be Thou near me,
And I will fear no ill.

mp 2 My Saviour, be Thou near me
When Satan doth assail,
To strengthen and protect me,
That he may not prevail.
p When sorrows come upon me,
And days are dark and sad,
c My Saviour, be Thou near me,
And I shall still be glad.

p 3 My Saviour, be Thou near me
In sickness and in pain,
To teach my spirit patience,
To make my suffering gain.
pp When heart and flesh are failing,
Receive my parting breath;
c My Saviour, be Thou near me
To comfort me in death.

m 4 And then, for ever near Thee,
Safe in that happy place
Where angels sing Thy praises
And saints behold Thy face,

mf My joy shall be Thy presence;
Yes! this my heaven will be—
My Saviour will be near me
Through all eternity. AMEN.

603

The darkness and the light are both alike to Thee.

mp THE day is done: O God the Son,
Look down upon Thy little one.

m 2 O Light of light, keep me this night,
And shed round me Thy presence bright.

3 I need not fear if Thou art near;
Thou art my Saviour, kind and dear.

4 Thy gentle eye is ever nigh;
It watches me when none is by.

5 Thy loving ear is ever near
Thy little children's prayers to hear.

6 So happily and peacefully
I lay me down to rest in Thee.

mf 7 To Father, Son, and Spirit, One,
In heaven and earth all praise be done. AMEN.

Also Hymn 607.

WORSHIP

604

'I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord.'

mf AGAIN the morn of gladness,
The morn of light, is here,
And earth itself looks fairer,
And heaven itself more near:

m The bells, like angel voices,
Speak peace to every breast;
And all the land lies quiet
To keep the day of rest.

f *'Glory be to Jesus!'*
Let all His children say;
He rose again, He rose again,
On this glad day!

m 2 Again, O loving Saviour,
The children of Thy grace
Prepare themselves to seek Thee
Within Thy chosen place.

mf Our song shall rise to greet Thee,
If Thou our hearts wilt raise;
If Thou our lips wilt open,
Our mouth shall show Thy praise.

m 3 The shining choir of angels
That rest not day or night,
The crowned and palm-decked martyrs,
The saints arrayed in white,
The happy lambs of Jesus
In pastures fair above,—
These all adore and praise Him
Whom we too praise and love.

4 The Church on earth rejoices
To join with these to-day;
In every tongue and nation
She calls her sons to pray;
Across the Northern snow-fields,
Beneath the Indian palms,
She makes the same pure offering,
And sings the same sweet psalms.

mf 5 Tell out, sweet bells, His praises!
Sing, children, sing His name!
Still louder and still further
His mighty deeds proclaim,
Till all whom He redeemed
Shall own Him Lord and King,
Till every knee shall worship,
And every tongue shall sing.

f *'Glory be to Jesus!'*
Let all creation say;
He rose again, He rose again,
On this glad day!
AMEN.

605

'Though the Lord be high, yet hath He respect unto the lowly.'

mp LORD, a little band and lowly,
We are come to sing to Thee;
Thou art great and high and holy;
O how solemn we should be!

m Fill our hearts with thoughts of Jesus,
And of heaven, where He is gone;
And let nothing ever please us
He would grieve to look upon.

2 For we know the Lord of glory
Always sees what children do,
And is writing now the story
Of our thoughts and actions too.

mp Let our sins be all forgiven;
Make us fear whate'er is wrong;

c Lead us on our way to heaven,
There to sing a nobler song.
AMEN.

606

'Speak, Lord; for Thy servant heareth.'

mp HUSHED was the evening hymn,
The temple courts were dark,
The lamp was burning dim
Before the sacred ark,
m When suddenly a voice Divine
Rang through the silence of the shrine.

mp 2 The old man, meek and mild,
The priest of Israel, slept;
His watch the temple child,
The little Levite, kept;
m And what from Eli's sense was sealed
The Lord to Hannah's son revealed.

3 O give me Samuel's ear,
The open ear, O Lord,
Alive and quick to hear
Each whisper of Thy word,—
Like him to answer at Thy call,
And to obey Thee first of all.

4 O give me Samuel's heart,
A lowly heart, that waits
Where in Thy house Thou art,
Or watches at Thy gates
By day and night, a heart that still
Moves at the breathing of Thy will.

5 O give me Samuel's mind,
A sweet unmurmuring faith,
Obedient and resigned
To Thee in life and death,
That I may read with childlike eyes
Truths that are hidden from the wise. AMEN.

607

'Draw nigh to God, and He will draw nigh to you.'

mf BLESSÈD Jesus, high in glory,
Seen of saints and angels fair,
mp Children's voices now adore Thee;
Listen to Thy children's prayer.

m 2 While this solemn eve we gather,
Meekly to receive Thy word,
Be Thou near us, Holy Father,
Bring us near Thee, loving Lord.

3 Gentle Jesus, Thou dost love us,
Thou hast died upon the tree,
And Thou reignest now above us,
That we too might reign with Thee.

4 Give us grace to trust Thee wholly;
Give us each a childlike heart;
Make us meek and pure and holy,
Meet to see Thee as Thou art.

mf 5 Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
Bless us all our life below,
Till we each that heaven inherit
Which the childlike only know.
AMEN.

PRAYER

608

'Pray without ceasing.'

m GO when the morning shineth,
Go when the noon is bright,
Go when the eve declineth,
Go in the hush of night,
Go with pure mind and feeling,
Fling earthly thought away,
And, in thy chamber kneeling,
Do thou in secret pray.

2 Remember all who love thee,
All who are loved by thee;
Pray, too, for those who hate thee,
If any such there be;
Then for thyself, in meekness,
A blessing humbly claim;
And link with each petition
The great Redeemer's name.

3 Or, if 't is e'er denied thee
In solitude to pray,
Should holy thoughts come o'er thee,
When friends are round thy way,
Even then the silent breathing
Of thy spirit raised above
Will reach His throne of glory
Who is mercy, truth, and love.
AMEN.

Also Hymn 562.

MISSIONS

609

'Shew forth His salvation . . declare His glory among the heathen.'

mf WE have heard a joyful sound,—
'Jesus saves!'
Spread the gladness all around:
'Jesus saves!'
Bear the news to every land,
Climb the steeps and cross the waves;
Onward! 't is our Lord's command:
Jesus saves!

2 Waft it on the rolling tide:
'Jesus saves!'
Tell to sinners far and wide,
'Jesus saves!'
Sing, ye islands of the sea,
Echo back, ye ocean caves;
Earth shall keep her jubilee:
Jesus saves!

m 3 Sing above the battle's strife,
'Jesus saves!'
By His death and endless life
Jesus saves!
mp Sing it softly through the gloom,
When the heart for mercy craves;
mf Sing in triumph o'er the tomb,
'Jesus saves!'

4 Give the winds a mighty voice,
'Jesus saves!'
Let the nations now rejoice:
Jesus saves!
f Shout salvation full and free
To every strand that ocean laves,—
This our song of victory,
'Jesus saves!' AMEN.

610

'O let the nations be glad and sing for joy.'

mp GOD of heaven, hear our singing;
Only little ones are we,
Yet, a great petition bringing,
Father, now we come to Thee.

m 2 Let Thy kingdom come, we pray Thee;
Let the world in Thee find rest;
Let all know Thee, and obey Thee,
Loving, praising, blessing, blest.

3 Let the sweet and joyful story
Of the Saviour's wondrous love
Wake on earth a song of glory,
Like the angels' song above.

4 Father, send the glorious hour,
Every heart be Thine alone,
mf For the kingdom, and the power,
And the glory are Thine own.
AMEN.

SPECIAL OCCASIONS

611

'Thou hast holden me by my right hand. Thou shalt guide me with Thy counsel.'

mf JESUS, blessèd Saviour,
Help us now to raise
Songs of glad thanksgiving,
Songs of holy praise.
O how kind and gracious
Thou hast always been!
O how many blessings
Every day has seen!
Jesus, blessèd Saviour,
Now our praises hear
For Thy grace and favour
Crowning all the year.

mp 2 Jesus, holy Saviour,
Only Thou canst tell
How we often stumbled,
How we often fell.
All our sins—so many!—
Saviour, Thou dost know;
In Thy blood most precious
Wash us white as snow.
Jesus, blessèd Saviour,
Keep us in Thy fear;
Let Thy grace and favour
Pardon all the year.

m 3 Jesus, loving Saviour,
Only Thou dost know
All that may befall us
As we onward go;
So we humbly pray Thee,
Take us by the hand,
Lead us ever upward
To the better land.
Jesus, blessèd Saviour,
Keep us ever near;
Let Thy grace and favour
Shield us all the year.

mp 4 Jesus, precious Saviour,
Make us all Thine own,
Make us Thine for ever,
Make us Thine alone;
Let each day, each moment
Of this glad new year
Be for Jesus only,
Jesus, Saviour dear.
f Then, O blessèd Saviour,
Never need we fear,
For Thy grace and favour
Crown our bright New Year.
AMEN.

612

'Trust ye in the Lord for ever.'

mf JOY bells are sounding sweetly,
Waking the new-born year,
O that some heavenly music,
Listening, my heart may hear!
mp Hark! 't is the voice of Jesus,
Over my life's dark sea,
m 'Be not afraid, belovèd,
Trust the New Year to Me;
mf *Trust in My love for ever;*
Trust till life's day is o'er;
Trust till the New Year's morning
Breaks on the heavenly shore.'

m 2 Saviour, with Thee communing,
Life has no fears for me;
Brightly this New Year's morning
Dawns on my spirit free;
Months as they pass may bring me
Trials unknown to-day;
Still shall the echo linger,
Sweetly I hear Thee say,
'Trust in My love,' etc.

mf 3 More of Thy love, my Saviour,
More of Thy peace within,
More of Thy perfect beauty,
My heart more free from sin!
This be Thy New Year's blessing,
Better than finest gold,
While on Thy word of greeting
Faith can keep fast her hold:
'Trust in My love,' etc.

4 Onward with step more steadfast,
Upward with stronger flight,
Upward to love's own country,
Heavenward to God's own light!
m Jesus, in Thee abiding,
Years cannot fly too fast,
Death cannot touch my spirit,
Hearing Thy voice at last:
'Trust in My love,' etc.
AMEN.

613

'Enter into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him, and bless His name.'

mf LORD, this day Thy children meet
In Thy courts with willing feet;
Unto Thee this day they raise
Grateful hearts in hymns of praise.

m 2 Not alone the day of rest
With Thy worship shall be blest;
In our pleasure and our glee,
Lord, we would remember Thee.

3 Help us unto Thee to pray,
Hallowing our happy day,
From Thy presence thus to win
Hearts all pure and free from sin.

4 All our pleasures here below,
Saviour, from Thy mercy flow:
Little children Thou dost love;
Draw our hearts to Thee above.

5 Make, O Lord, our childhood shine
With all lowly grace, like Thine;
mf Then through all eternity
We shall live in heaven with Thee.
AMEN.

614

'The Lord will give grace and glory.'

m LORD Jesus, God and Man,
In this our festal day,
To Thee for precious gifts of grace
Thy ransomed people pray.

mp 2 We pray for childlike hearts,
For gentle, holy love,
For strength to do Thy will below
As angels do above.

3 We pray for simple faith,
For hope that never faints,
For true communion evermore
With all Thy blessèd saints.

m 4 On friends around us here
O let Thy blessing fall;
We pray for grace to love them well,
But Thee beyond them all.

mf 5 O joy to live for Thee!
O joy in Thee to die!
O very joy of joys to see
Thy face eternally!

f 6 Lord Jesus, God and Man,
We praise Thee and adore,
Who art with God the Father one
And Spirit evermore. AMEN.

615

'I am the bright and morning Star.'

mp STAR of peace to wanderers weary,
Bright the beams that smile on me;
Cheer the pilot's vision dreary,
Far, far at sea.

m 2 Star of hope, gleam on the billow;
Bless the soul that sighs for Thee;
Bless the sailor's lonely pillow,
Far, far at sea.

3 Star of faith, when winds are mocking
All his toil, he flies to Thee;
Save him on the billows rocking,
Far, far at sea.

4 Star Divine, O safely guide him;
Bring the wanderer home to Thee;
Sore temptations long have tried him,
Far, far at sea. AMEN.

DISMISSION HYMNS

616

'Blessed be Thy glorious name, which is exalted above all blessing and praise.'

mp AND now the wants are told that brought
Thy children to Thy knee;
Here lingering still, we ask for nought,
But simply worship Thee.

m 2 The hope of heaven's eternal days
Absorbs not all the heart
That gives Thee glory, love, and praise
For being what Thou art.

3 For Thou art God, the One, the Same,
O'er all things high and bright;
And round us, when we speak Thy name,
There spreads a heaven of light.

mf 4 O wondrous peace, in thought to dwell
On excellence Divine,
To know that nought in man can tell
How fair Thy beauties shine!

m 5 O Thou above all blessing blest,
O'er thanks exalted far,
Thy very greatness is a rest
To weaklings as we are;

6 For, when we feel the praise of Thee
A task beyond our powers,
mf We say, 'A perfect God is He,
And He is fully ours.' AMEN.

617

'My peace I give unto you.'

mf SAVIOUR, again to Thy dear name we raise
With one accord our parting hymn of praise;
We stand to bless Thee ere our worship cease,
d Then, lowly kneeling, wait Thy word of peace.

mp 2 Grant us Thy peace through this approaching night;
Turn Thou for us its darkness into light;
From harm and danger keep Thy children free,
For dark and light are both alike to Thee.

m 3 Grant us Thy peace upon our homeward way;
With Thee began, with Thee shall end the day;
Guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
That in this house have called upon Thy name.

mp 4 Grant us Thy peace throughout our earthly life,
Our balm in sorrow, and our stay in strife;
m Then, when Thy voice shall bid our conflict cease,
Call us, O Lord, to Thine eternal peace. AMEN.

618

'The Lord shall be unto thee an everlasting light.'

m O SAVIOUR, bless us ere we go;
Thy word into our minds instil;
And make our lukewarm hearts to glow
With lowly love and fervent will.
d *Through life's long day and death's dark night,*
c *O gentle Jesus, be our light!*

mp 2 The day is done, its hours have run,
And Thou hast taken count of all,—
The scanty triumphs grace hath won,
The broken vow, the frequent fall.

m 3 Grant us, dear Lord, from evil ways
True absolution and release;
And bless us, more than in past days,
With purity and inward peace.

4 Do more than pardon: give us joy,
Sweet fear, and sober liberty,
And loving hearts without alloy,
That only long to be like Thee.

5 Labour is sweet, for Thou hast toiled,
And care is light, for Thou hast cared;
Let not our works with self be soiled,
Nor in unsimple ways ensnared.

6 For all we love, the poor, the sad,
The sinful, unto Thee we call;
c O let Thy mercy make us glad;
Thou art our Jesus and our all.
AMEN.

619

'The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all.'

m MAY the grace of Christ our Saviour,
And the Father's boundless love,
With the Holy Spirit's favour,
Rest upon us from above.

mf 2 Thus may we abide in union
With each other and the Lord,
And possess in sweet communion
Joys which earth cannot afford.
AMEN.

620

'These are they which are sown on good ground; such as hear the word, and receive it, and bring forth fruit, some thirty-fold, some sixty, and some an hundred.'

m ALMIGHTY God, Thy word is cast
Like seed into the ground;
Now let the dew of heaven descend,
And righteous fruits abound.

2 Let not the foe of Christ and man
This holy seed remove,
But give it root in every heart
To bring forth fruits of love.

3 Let not the world's deceitful cares
The rising plant destroy,
But let it yield a hundredfold
The fruits of peace and joy.

4 Oft as the precious seed is sown,
Thy quickening grace bestow,
mf That all whose souls the truth receive
Its saving power may know.
AMEN.

621

'The very God of peace sanctify you wholly.'

m NOW may He who from the dead
Brought the Shepherd of the sheep,
Jesus Christ, our King and Head,
All our souls in safety keep.

2 May He teach us to fulfil
What is pleasing in His sight,
Perfect us in all His will,
And preserve us day and night.

mf 3 To that dear Redeemer's praise,
Who the covenant sealed with blood,
f Let our hearts and voices raise
Loud thanksgivings to our God.
AMEN.

622

'Shew me a token for good.'

m OF Thy love some gracious token
Grant us, Lord, before we go;
Bless Thy word which has been spoken;
Life and peace on all bestow.
When we join the world again,
Let our hearts with Thee remain;
c O direct us,
And protect us,
mf Till we gain the heavenly shore,
Where Thy people want no more.
AMEN.

623

'Peace be with you all that are in Christ Jesus.'

mp PART in peace: Christ's life was peace,
Let us live our life in Him;
Part in peace: Christ's death was peace,
Let us die our death in Him.
Part in peace: Christ promise gave
Of a life beyond the grave,
Where all mortal partings cease;
Brethren, sisters, part in peace.
AMEN.

624

'Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, according as we hope in Thee.'

m LORD, let mercy now attend us
As we leave Thy holy place,
And from evil still defend us
While we run our heavenward race—
mf Hallelujah!—
Till in bliss we see Thy face.
AMEN.

625

'Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound: they shall walk, O Lord, in the light of Thy countenance.'

m LORD, dismiss us with Thy blessing;
Fill our hearts with joy and peace;
Let us each, Thy love possessing,
Triumph in redeeming grace;
O refresh us,
Travelling through this wilderness.

mf 2 Thanks we give and adoration
For Thy gospel's joyful sound;
May the fruits of Thy salvation
In our hearts and lives abound;
May Thy presence
With us evermore be found.
AMEN.

626

FROM all that dwell below the skies
Let the Creator's praise arise;
Let the Redeemer's name be sung
Through every land, by every tongue.
Eternal are Thy mercies, Lord;
Eternal truth attends Thy word;
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore
Till suns shall rise and set no more.
AMEN.

627

GLORY, glory everlasting
To the blessèd Trinity!
Praise to Thee, Eternal Father;
Praise, Eternal Son, to Thee;
Praise to Thee, Eternal Spirit,—
Three in One, and One in Three!
AMEN.

628

HALLELUJAH! hallelujah!
Glory be to God on high;
Hallelujah to the Saviour,
Who has gained the victory;
Hallelujah to the Spirit,
Fount of love and sanctity:
Hallelujah! hallelujah
To the Triune Majesty. AMEN.

629

IMMORTAL honour, endless fame
Attend the almighty Father's name;
The Saviour Son be glorified,
Who for lost man's redemption died;
And equal adoration be,
Eternal Paraclete, to Thee. AMEN.

630

LAUD and honour to the Father,
Laud and honour to the Son,
Laud and honour to the Spirit,
Ever Three and ever One,
One in might, and One in glory,
While unending ages run. AMEN.

631

NOW to Him who loved us, gave us
Every pledge that love could give,
Freely shed His blood to save us,
Gave His life that we might live,
Be the kingdom
And dominion
And the glory evermore. AMEN.

632

NOW to the King of Heaven
Your cheerful voices raise;
To Him be glory given,
Power, majesty, and praise;
Wide as He reigns
His name be sung
By every tongue,
In endless strains. AMEN.

633

O PRAISE the Father; praise the Son;
Blest Spirit, praise to Thee:
All praise to God, the Three in One,
The One in Three. AMEN.

634

PRAISE God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
AMEN.

635

TO Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, and is,
And shall be evermore. AMEN.

636

TO Him who sits upon the throne,
The God whom we adore,
And to the Lamb that once was slain
Be glory evermore. AMEN.

637

BLESSED, blessèd be Jehovah, Israel's God, to all eternity. Let all the people say, 'Amen.' Amen. Praise to the Lord give ye.

638

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be world without end. AMEN.

639

HOLY, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of Thy glory. Glory be to Thee, O Lord most high. AMEN.

ANCIENT HYMNS, ETC.

640 MAGNIFICAT

MY soul doth mágni- | -fy the | Lord : and my spirit háth re- | -joiced . in | God my | Saviour.

2 Fór He | hath re- | -garded : the lów es- | -tate of | His hand- | -maiden ;

3 Fór, be- | -hold, from | henceforth : áll gener- | -ations . shall | call me | blessed.

4 For He that is mighty hath dóne to | me great | things : ánd | holy | is His | name.

5 And His mércy is on | them that | fear Him : from géner- | -ation . to | gener- | -ation.

6 He hath shewed strénght | with His | arm : He hath scattered the proud in the imágin- | -ation | of their | hearts.

7 He hath put down the mighty | from their | seats : and exálted | them of | low de- | -gree.

8 He hath filled the húngry with | good | things : and the rích He hath | sent | empty . a- | -way.

9 He hath hólpen His | servant | Israel : ín re- | -membrance | of His | mercy ;

10 As He spáke | to our | fathers : to Ábraham | and . to his | seed for | ever.

Glory be to the Fáther | and . to the | Son : ánd | to the | Holy | Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is nów, and | ever | shall be : wórld without | end. | A- | -MEN.

641 BENEDICTUS

BLESSED be the Lórd | God of | Israel : for He hath vísited | and re- | -deemed . His | people,

2 And hath raised up an hórn of sal- | -vation | for us : in the hóuse | of His | servant | David ;

3 As He spake by the móuth of His | holy | prophets : which have béen | since the | world be- | -gan ;

4 That we should be sáved | from our | enemies : and fróm the | hand of | all that | hate us ;

5 To perform the mercy prómised | to our | fathers : ánd to re- | -member . His | holy | covenant ;

6 The oath which He swáre to our | father | Abraham : that Hé would | grant | unto | us,

7 That we being delivered out of the hánd | of our | enemies : might sérve | Him with- | -out | fear,

8 In holiness and righteous- | -ness be- | -fore Him : áll the | days | of our | life.

9 And thou, child, shalt be called the próphet | of the | Highest : for thou shalt go before the face of the Lórd | to pre- | -pare His | ways ;

10 To give knowledge of salvátion | unto . His | people : bý the re- | -mission | of their sins,

11 Through the tender mércy | of our | God : whereby the dayspring fróm on | high hath | visited | us,

12 To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the | shadow . of | death : to guide our féet | into . the | way of | peace.

Glory be to the Fáther | and . to the | Son : ánd | to the | Holy | Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is nów, and | ever | shall be : wórld without | end. | A- | -MEN.

642 NUNC DIMITTIS

LORD, now lettest Thou Thy sérvant de- | -part in | peace : ác- | -cording | to Thy | word ;

2 For mine | eyes have | seen : Thý | — sal- | -va- | -tion,

3 Which Thou | hast pre- | -pared : befóre the | face of | all | people ;

4 A light to | lighten . the | Gentiles : and the glóry | of Thy | people | Israel.

Glory be to the Fáther | and . to the | Son : and | to the | Holy | Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is nów and | ever | shall be : wórld without | end. | A- | -MEN.

643 GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

GLORY be to | God on | high : and in earth péace, good | will to- | wards | men.

2 We praise Thee, we bless Thée, we | worship | Thee : we | glori- | -fy | Thee,

3 Wé give | thanks to | Thee : fór | Thy | great | glory,

4 O Lord Gód | heavenly | King : Gód the | Father | Al- | -mighty.

5 Ó | — | Lord : the only begótten | Son | Jesus | Christ ;

6 O Lord Gód | Lamb of | God : Són | of the | Fa- | -ther,

7 That takest awáy the | sins . of the | world : háve | mer- | -cy up- | -on us.

8 Thou that takest awáy the | sins . of the | world : háve | mer- | -cy up- | -on us.

9 Thou that takest awáy the | sins . of the | world : ré- | -ceive | our | prayer.

10 Thou that sittest at the right hánd of | God the | Father : háve | mer- | -cy up- | -on us,

11 For Thóu | only . art | holy : Thóu | only | art the | Lord.

12 Thou only, O Christ, with the | Holy | Ghost : art most high in the glóry of | God the | Fa- | -ther. AMEN.

644 TE DEUM LAUDAMUS

WE práise | Thee, O | God : we acknówledge | Thee to | be the | Lord.

2 All the earth doth | worship | Thee : thé | Father | ever- | -lasting.

3 To Thee all ángels | cry a- | -loud : the héavens, and | all the | powers there- | -in.

4 To Thee chérubin and | seraph- | in : con- | -tinual- | -ly do | cry,

5 'Holy | holy | holy : Lórd | God of | Saba- | -oth ;

6 Heaven and earth are fúll of the | majes- | -ty : óf | Thy | glo- | -ry.'

7 The glorious cómpany | of . the a- | postles : práise | — | — | Thee.

8 The goodly fellowship | of the | pro- | phets : práise | — | — | Thee.

9 The nóble | army . of | martyrs : práise | — | — | Thee.

10 The holy Church throughout | all the | world : doth ac- | -know- | -ledge | Thee ;

11 Thé | Fa- | -ther : óf an | infinite | majes- | -ty ;

12 Thine hónour- | -able | true : ánd | on- | -ly | Son ;

13 Álso the | Holy | Ghost : thé | Com- | -fort- | -er.

14 Thóu art the | King of | Glory : O | — | — | Christ ;

15 Thou art the éver- | -lasting | Son : óf | — the | Fa- | -ther.

16 When Thou tookest upón Thee to de- | -liver | man : Thou didst not ab- | hor the | Virgin's | womb.

17 When Thou hadst overcóme the | sharpness . of | death : Thou didst open the kingdom of | heaven to | all be- | lievers.

18 Thou sittest at the right | hand of | God : in the | glory | of the | Father.

19 We believe that | Thou shalt | come : tó | be | our | judge.

20 We therefore práy Thee | help Thy | servants : whom Thou hast redéemed | with Thy | precious | blood.

21 Make them to be númbered | with Thy | saints : in | glory | ever- | -lasting.

22 O Lórd | save Thy | people : ánd | bless Thine | herit- | -age.

23 Góv- | — -ern | them : ánd | lift them | up for | ever.

24 Dáy | by | day : wé | magni- | -fy | Thee ;

25 And we | worship . Thy | name : éver | world with- | -out | end.

26 Voúch- | -safe, O | Lord : to kéep us this | day with- | -out | sin.

27 O Lórd, have | mercy . up- | -on us : háve | mer- | -cy up- | -on us.

28 O Lord, let Thy mércy | lighten . up- | -on us : ás our | trust | is in | Thee.

29 O Lord, in Thée | have I | trusted : let me | never | be con- | -founded.

645 THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

GOD spake all these words, saying, I am the Lord thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

Thou shalt have no other gods before Me.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate Me; and shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love Me, and keep My commandments.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His name in vain.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: but the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt not kill.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt not steal.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these Thy laws in our hearts, we beseech Thee. AMEN.

646 THE BEATITUDES

BLESSED are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Grant us this grace, we beseech Thee, O Lord.

Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.

Grant us this grace, we beseech Thee, O Lord.

Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

Grant us this grace, we beseech Thee, O Lord.

Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

Grant us this grace, we beseech Thee, O Lord.

Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

Grant us this grace, we beseech Thee, O Lord.

Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

Grant us this grace, we beseech Thee, O Lord.

Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

Grant us this grace, we beseech Thee, O Lord.

Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Write these words in our hearts, we beseech Thee, O Lord. AMEN.

647 THE LORD'S PRAYER

OUR FATHER which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. AMEN.

648 THE APOSTLES' CREED

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell*;[1] the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven; and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead:

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Catholic Church; the Communion of saints; the Forgiveness of sins; the Resurrection of the body; and the Life everlasting. AMEN.

* *Or* Hades

[1] *I.e.* continued in the state of the dead, and under the power of death till the third day.

649

THE Lord bless thee, and keep thee: the Lord make His face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee: the Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

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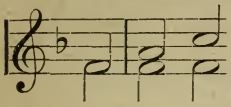

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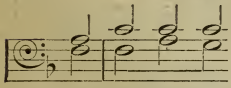

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